

DEVELOPMENT OF LARGE ACCEPTANCE SPECTROMETER FOR SYSTEMATIC STUDY OF KAONIC NUCLEI AT J-PARC

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collaboration

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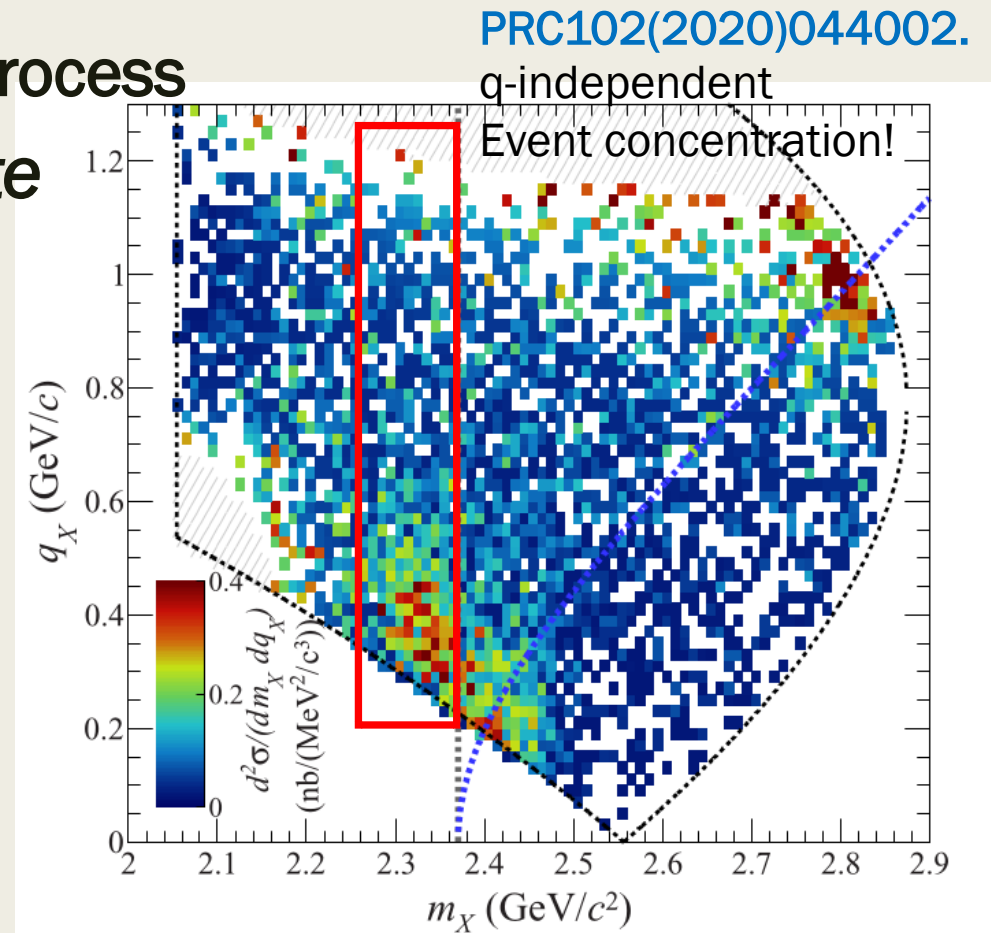
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KbarN interaction

- Important subjects to understand meson-baryon interactions in low-energy QCD
- Attractive KbarN ($I=0$) interaction
 - *Specific property of KbarN interaction*
 - ↔ π N interaction is repulsive in S-wave
 - *$\Lambda(1405)$ can be interpreted as a quasi-bound state of KbarN*
 - *The lightest Kaonic nuclei: “K-pp”*
 - Many experiments tried to establish the existence
 - *However, various results have been reported.*
 - *Positive: FINUDA@DAFNE, DISTO@SATURNE, E27@J-PARC*
 - *Negative: AMADEUS@DAFNE, HADES@GSI, LEPS@SPring-8*

Successful experiment: J-PARC E15(-2nd)

- “K-pp” search experiment
 - *Using the in-flight $K^- + {}^3\text{He}$ reaction*
 - Give a clear information on reaction process
 - ***Exclusive analysis of the Λp final state***
 - Not only the Λp invariant-mass (m_X) but also momentum transfer to the Λp system (q_X) were reconstructed
 - “Bound state” is efficiently distinguished from Quasi-free K^- absorption

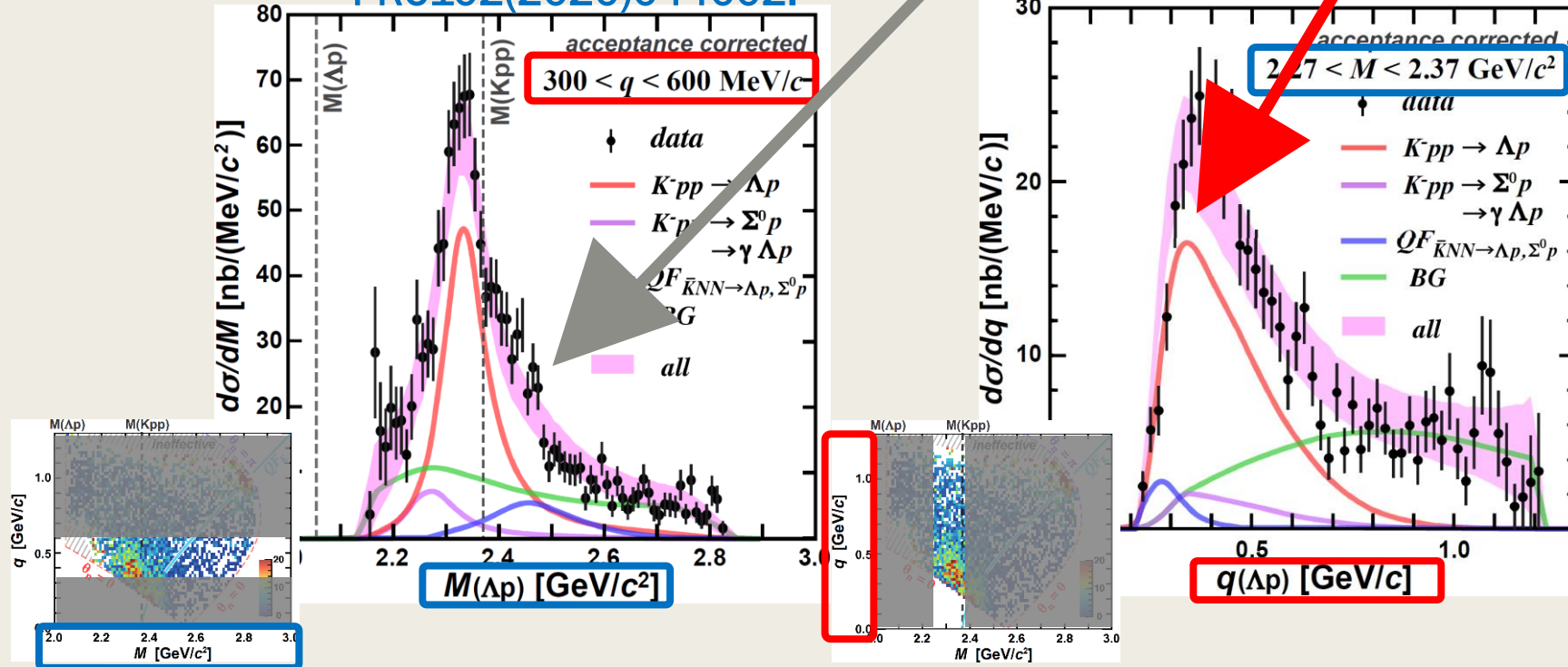


Successful experiment: J-PARC E15 (-2nd)

- Fitting 2D-plot with PWIA

$$\sigma(M, q) \propto \rho(M, q) \times \frac{(\Gamma_{Kpp}/2)^2}{(M - M_{Kpp})^2 + (\Gamma_{Kpp}/2)^2} \times \exp\left(-\frac{q^2}{Q_{Kpp}^2}\right)$$

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$B_{Kpp} \sim 40 \text{ MeV}$, $\Gamma_{Kpp} \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$
 \rightarrow large binding energy

$Q_{Kpp} \sim 400 \text{ MeV}$ (c.f. $Q_{QF} \sim 200 \text{ MeV}$)
 \rightarrow wide momentum transfer
 suggest the “Kpp” is quite compact ($R_{Kpp} = \hbar/Q \sim 0.6 \text{ fm}$)

Aims of upgrading beamline & spectrometer

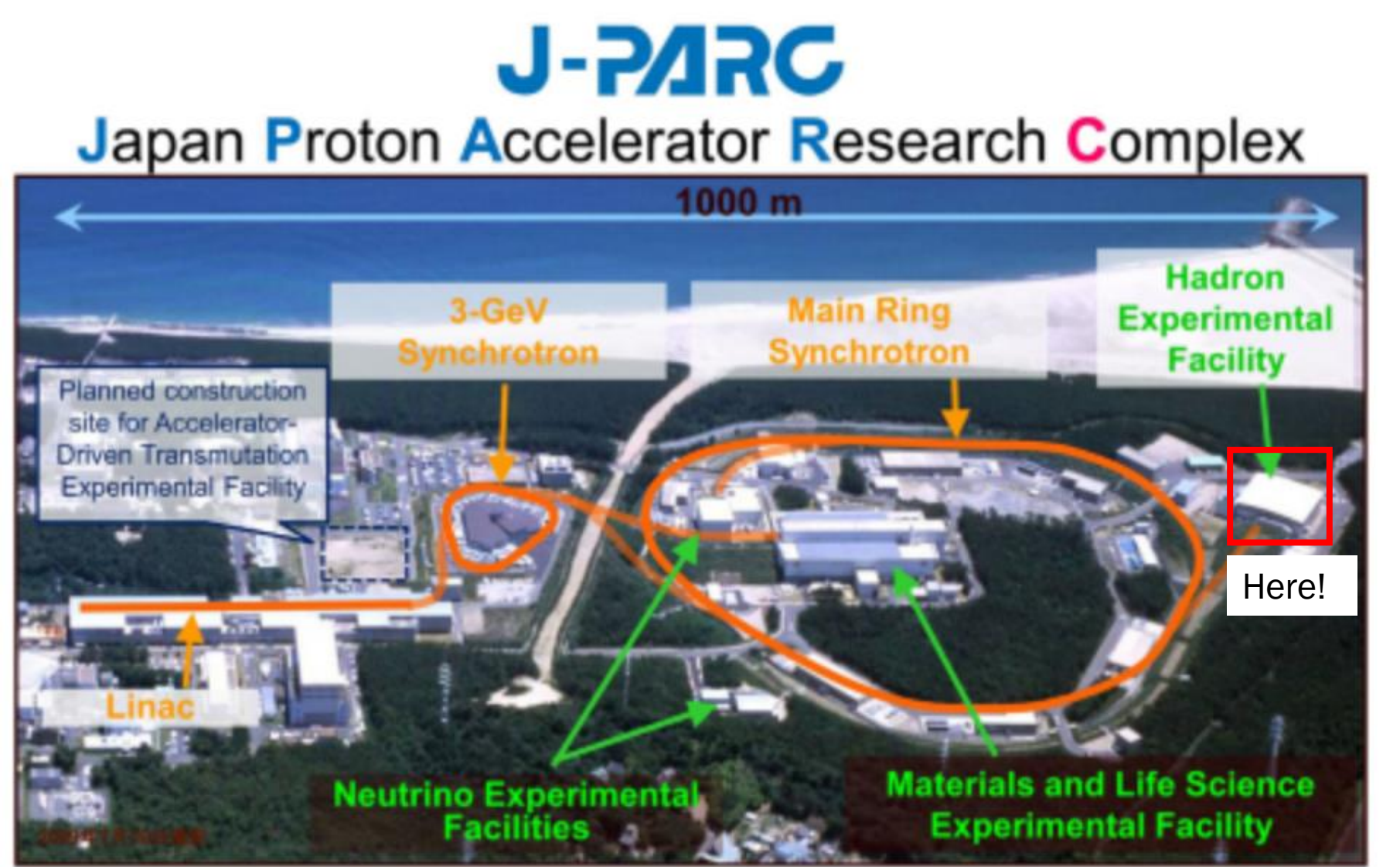
- Expanding this successful experimental method
 - *Keys: the (K^-,n) reaction and exclusive analysis*
- to various systems in order to establish kaonic nuclei
 - *Precise measurement of $\Lambda(1405)$*
 - *Investigation of the spin and parity of the $K\bar{n}NN$ state (J-PARC P89)*
 - *Systematic study for heavier kaonic nuclei, such as $K\bar{n}NNN$, $K\bar{n}NNNN$, . . . (J-PARC E80)*
- Increasing the K^- beam intensity for sufficient statistics
 - *By shortening the beamline (~ 2.5 m)*
- Enlarging an acceptance of spectrometer
 - *By constructing a large solid-angle spectrometer*
 - *Exclusive analysis requires detections of decay particles as many as possible to specify the reaction*
 - Neutron detection efficiency is important to reconstruct various decay channels

Upgrade plan of J-PARC K1.8 BR beamline and spectrometer system

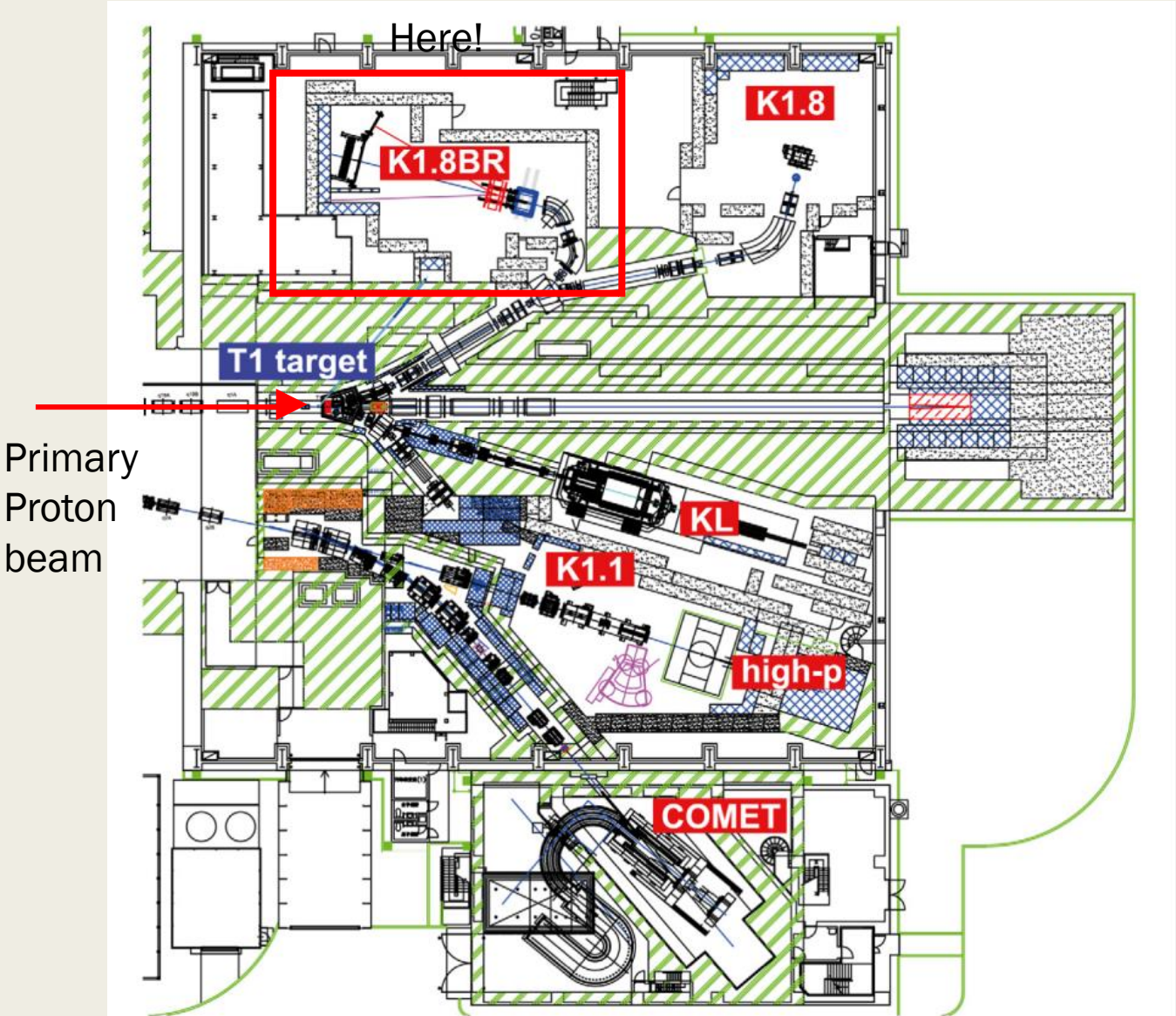
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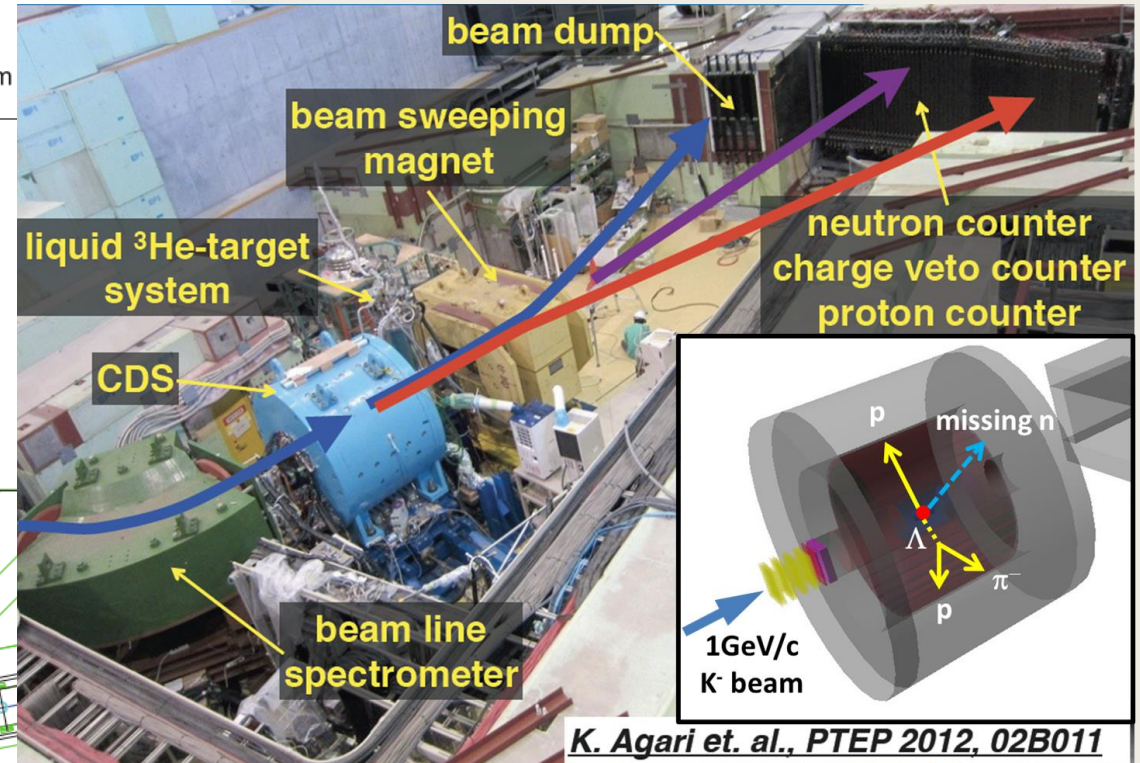
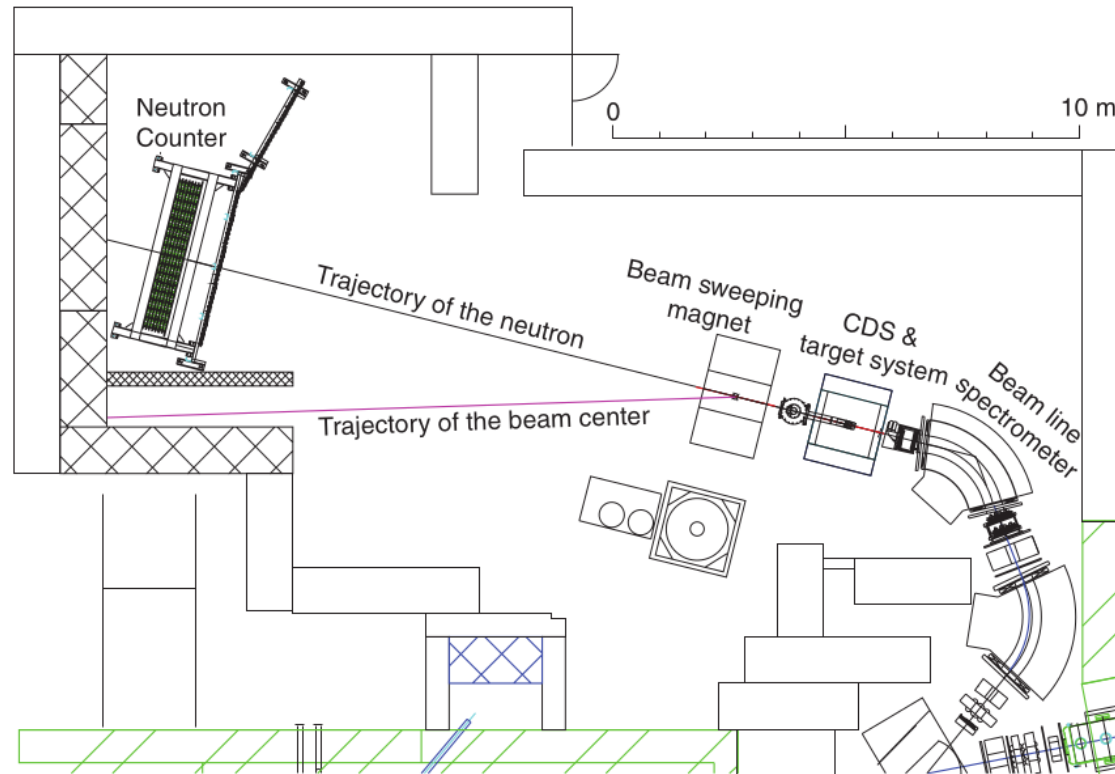


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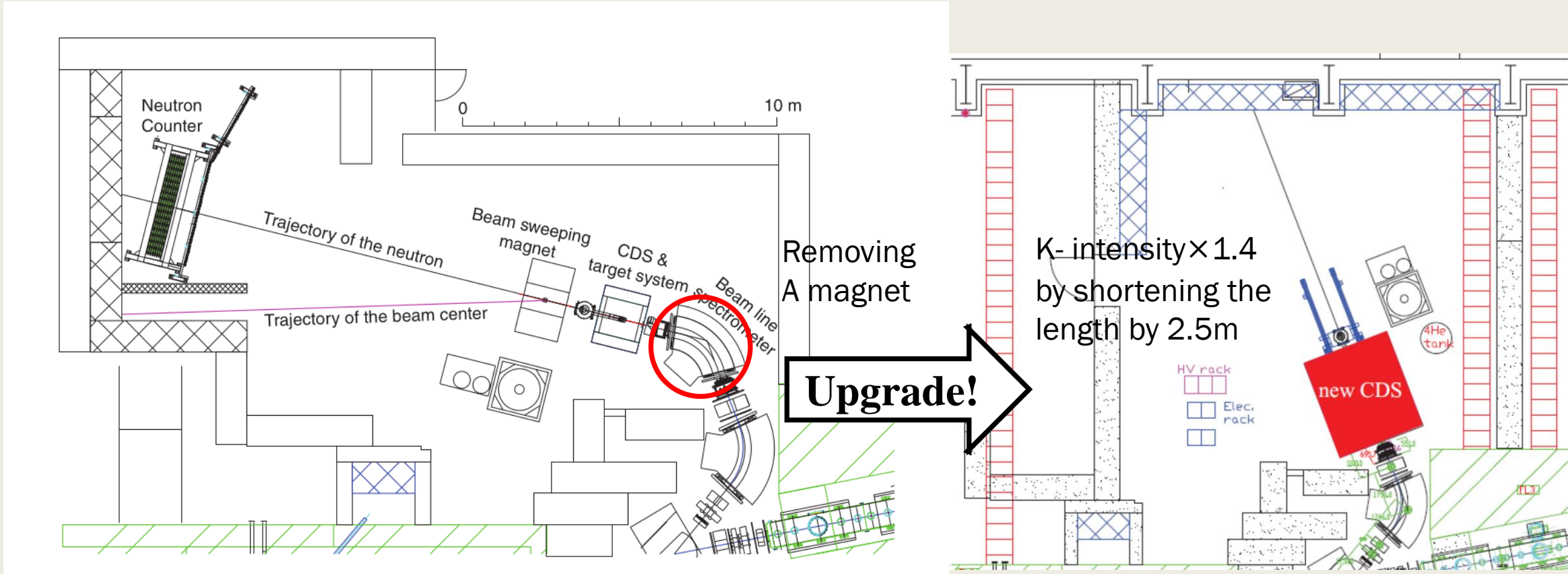
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- 31.3 m beamline with 1-stage electrostatic separator
 - Maximum momentum: 1.2 GeV/c, π^\pm , K^\pm , p , $pbar$ beams are available
- Typical K^- beam (accelerator power 51kW)
 - 1.0 GeV/c, 210 k / (spill=5.2 s), $K^-/\pi^- = 0.5$,



Upgrade plan of K1.8 BR beamline

- 28.8 m beamline with 1-stage electrostatic separator
- expected K⁻ beam (accelerator power 90kW)
 - 1.0 GeV/c, 420 k/(spill=4.2 s), K⁻/π⁻=~0.7 (1.2M particle /spill)
 - On target: 270k/spill
 - Spill cycle will be shortened due to upgrade of Accelerator



Present Spectrometer system @J-PARC

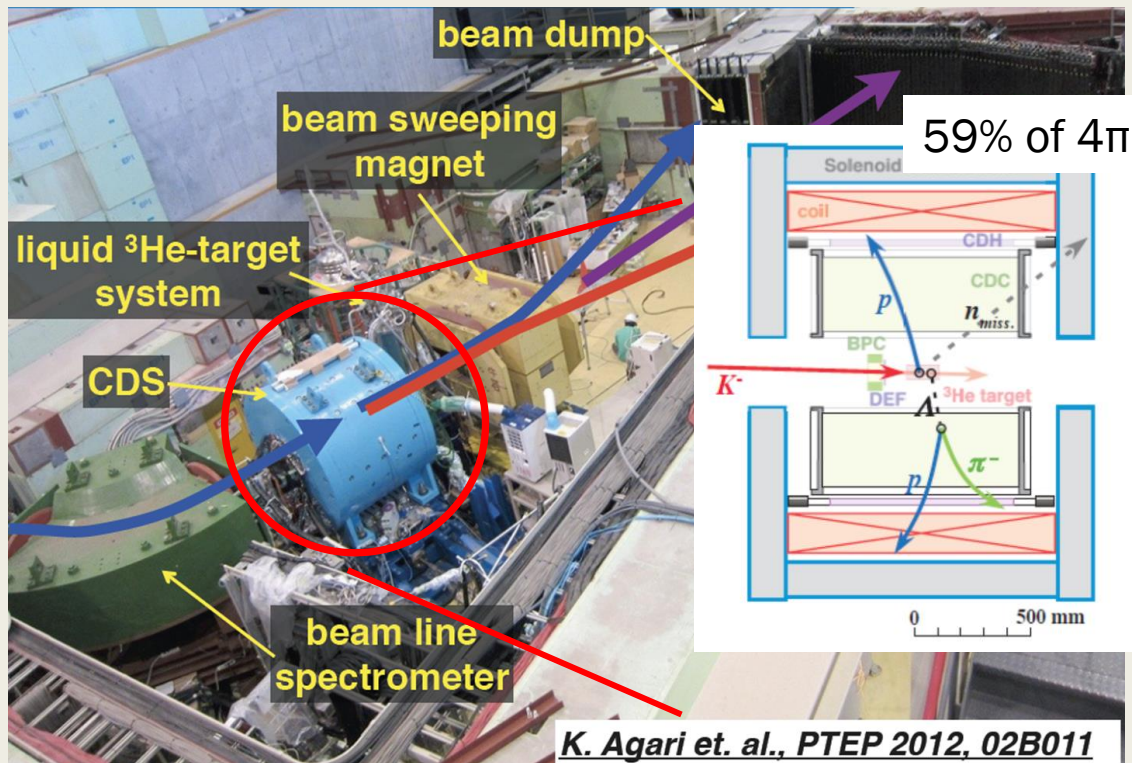
Momentum resolution 5.3 % for p_T

Vertex resolution:

$\sigma_r \sim 2-3$ mm, $\sigma_z \sim 1$ cm

β resolution 0.5 %

- solenoid spectrometer
 - Normal-conducting solenoid magnet (0.7T over tracking volume)
 - CDC (Cylindrical Drift Chamber)
 - CDH (Cylindrical Detector Hodoscope)
 - 3cm-thickness, neutron detection efficiency $\sim 3\%$



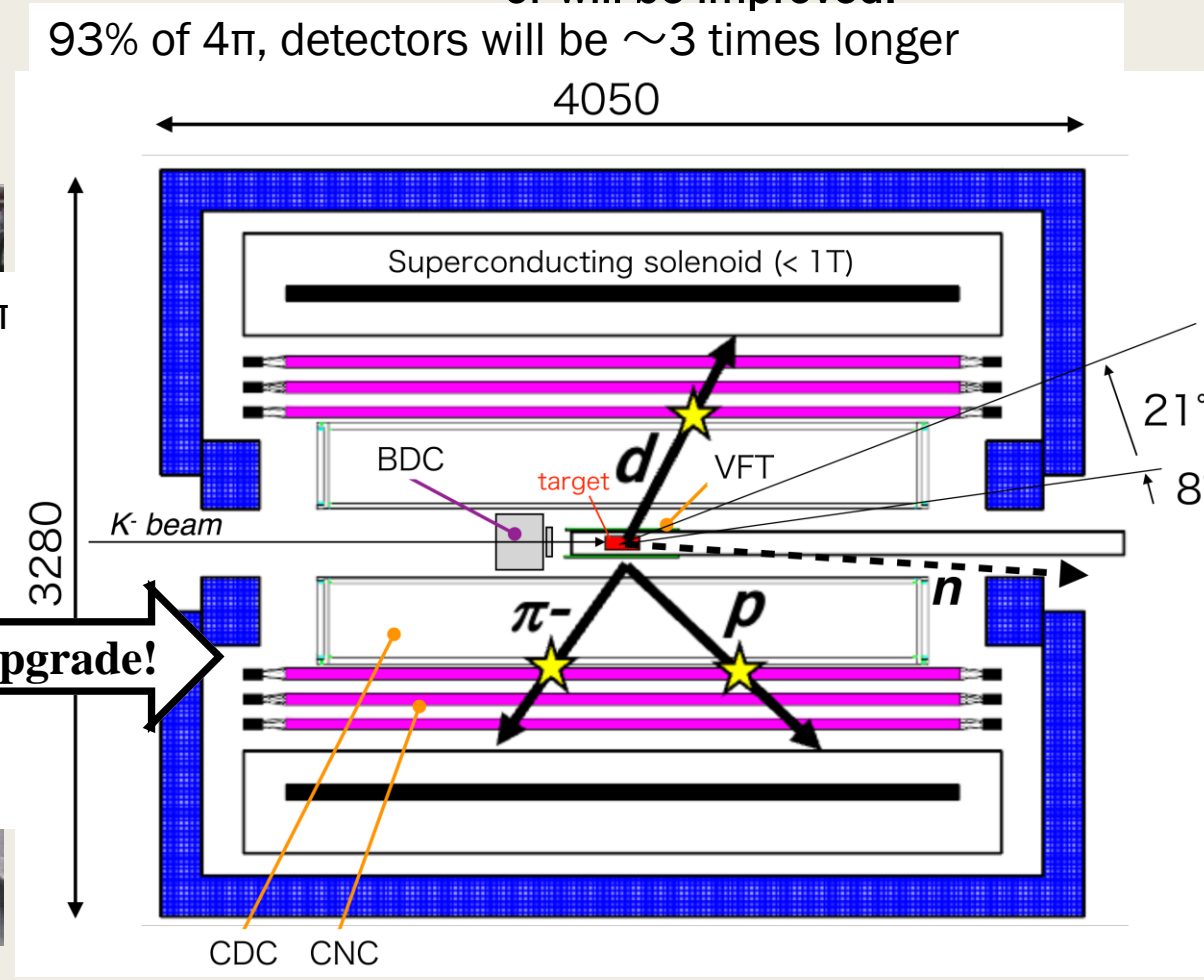
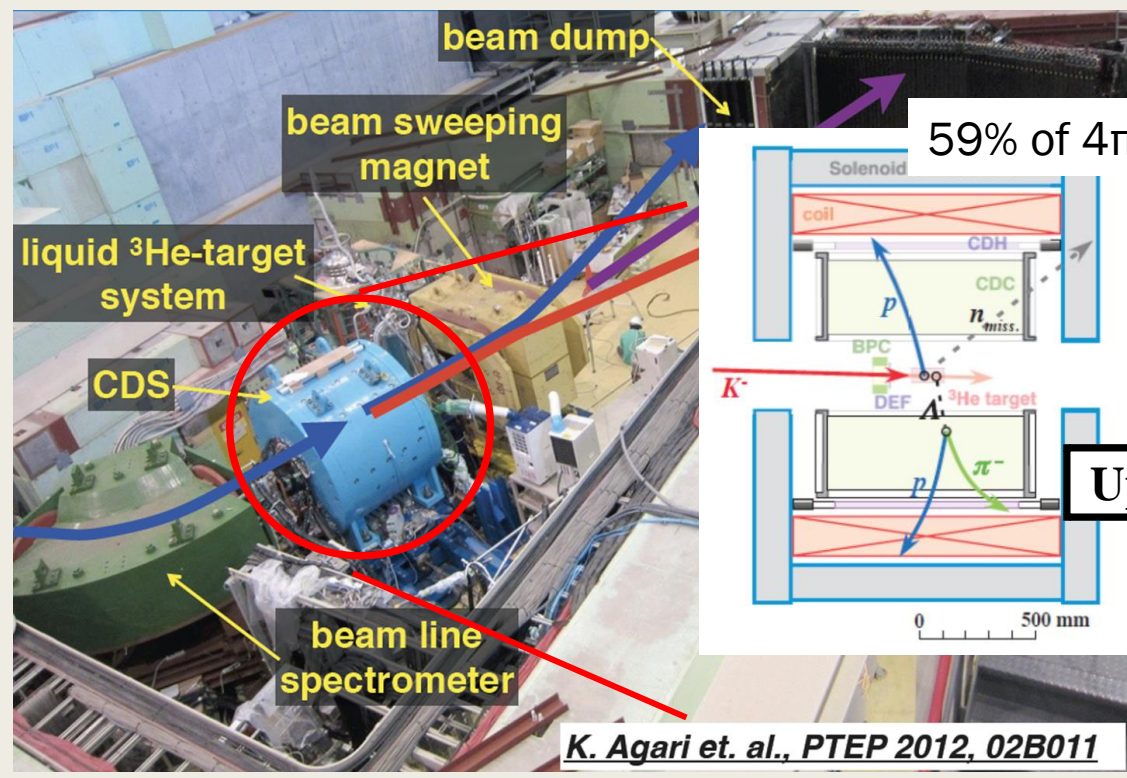
K. Agari et. al., PTEP 2012, 02B011

Upgrade plan of Spectrometer system @J-PARC

- solenoid spectrometer with larger acceptance
 - Superconducting solenoid magnet (0.7T over tracking volume)
 - CDC (Cylindrical Drift Chamber)
 - CNC (Cylindrical Neutron Counter)
 - 5×3 cm thickness plastic scintillator array
 - VFT (Vertex Fiber Tracker) → new detector

Momentum resolution 2-3 % for p_T
 Vertex resolution:
 $\sigma_r \sim 2-3$ mm, $\sigma_z \sim 1$ mm
 β resolution 0.5 %
Performances will retain or will be improved!

93% of 4π , detectors will be ~ 3 times longer

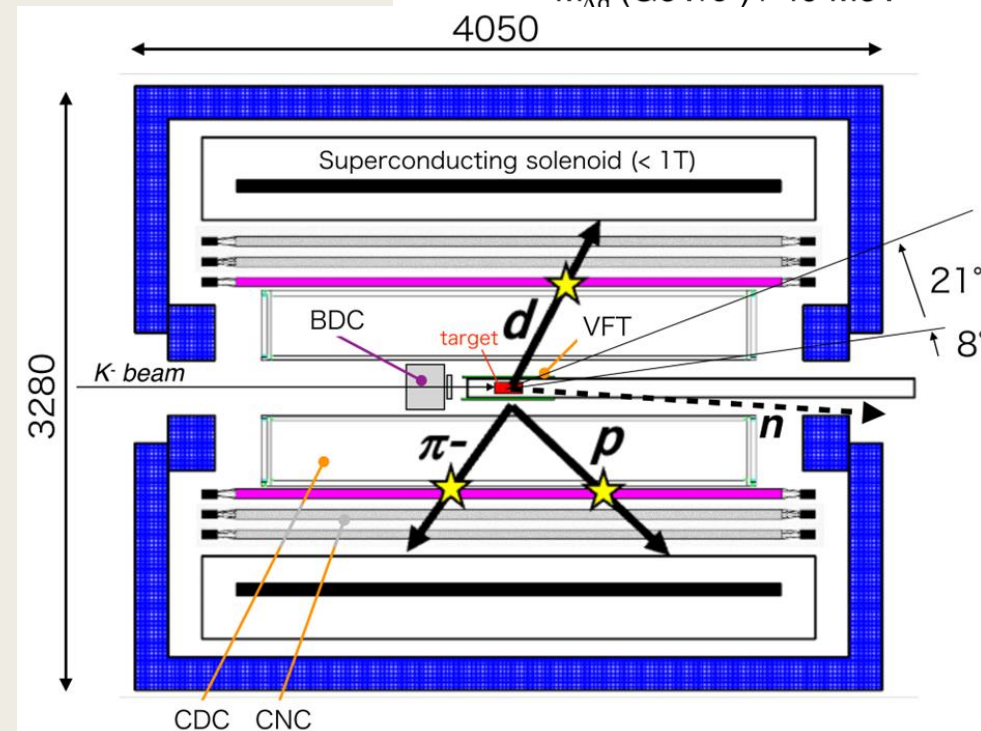
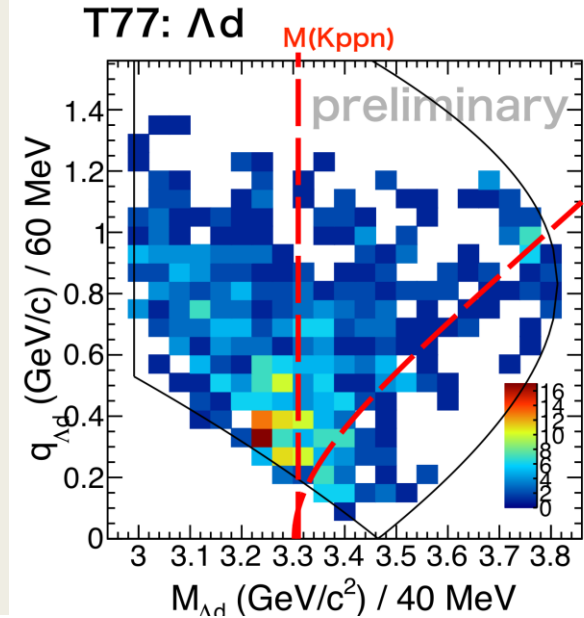


Proposed physics programs with upgraded
experimental setup

Proposed physics program

- Search for $\bar{K}NN$ via ${}^4\text{He}(1\text{ GeV}/c\text{ K}^-,n)$ reaction
 - *J-PARC E80 experiment*
 - *The $K\text{-ppn}$ state will be easily observed Via 2-body Λd decay*
 - Even minimum setup with 1 layer-CNC*
- > *1st step experiment of new CDS*
 - Limited statistics data with Existing CDC
 - *J-PARC T77, 6G K^-*
 - *Details are talked in*
 - *T. Hashimoto-san's talk! (Thursday)*
- *We also have a chance to reconstruct $K\text{-ppn}$ state via 3-body Λpn decay*

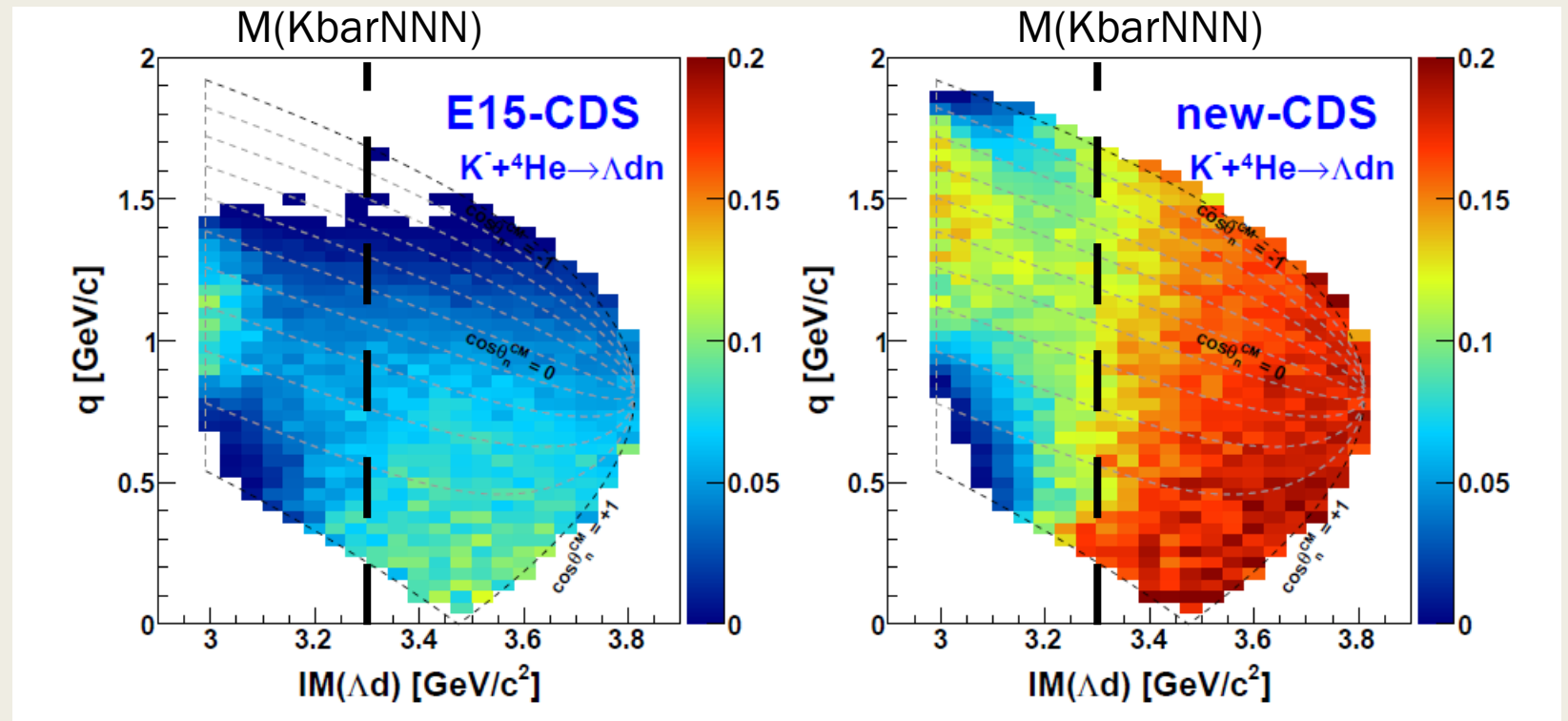
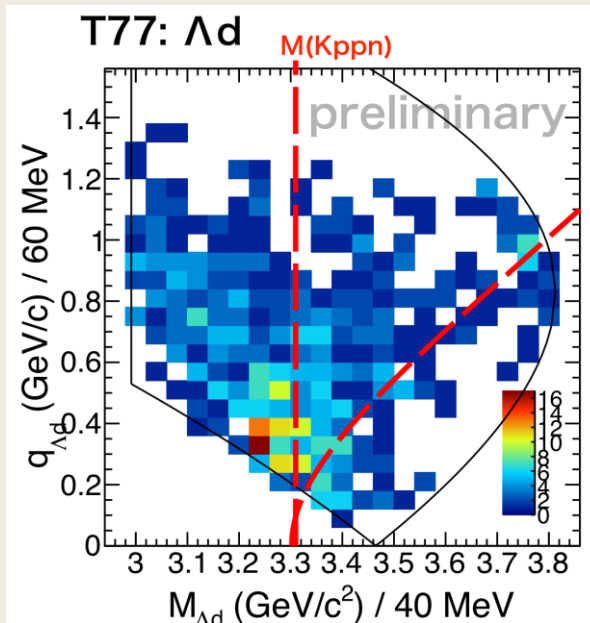
Result with existing CDC
T. Hashimoto-san's talk



Proposed physics program

- Search for $\bar{K}NN$ via ${}^4\text{He}(1 \text{ GeV}/c \text{ K}^-, n)$ reaction
 - *Detector acceptance for the Λd detection*
 - A few times larger than existing CDS!

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Proposed physics program

- Search for $\bar{K}NN$ via ${}^4\text{He}(1 \text{ GeV}/c \text{ K}^-, n)$ reaction
 - *Yield estimation for Λd detection*

$$N = \sigma \times N_{\text{beam}} \times N_{\text{target}} \times \epsilon,$$

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_{\text{DAQ}} \times \epsilon_{\text{trigger}} \times \epsilon_{\text{beam}} \times \epsilon_{\text{fiducial}} \times \Omega_{\text{CDC}} \times \epsilon_{\text{CDC}},$$

- $N_{\text{beam}} = 100 \text{ G K}^- \text{ on target}$
 - Corresponding to ~ 3 weeks data taking
- $\sigma(K^- \text{ppn}) \cdot \text{Br}(\Lambda d) \sim 5 \mu\text{b}$
 - Assumption From the T77 result (Hashimoto-san)
- $N(K^- \text{ppn} \rightarrow \Lambda d) \sim 12 \text{ k events}$
 - 1.7 k “ $K^- \text{pp}$ ” $\rightarrow \Lambda p$ events in E15 (40 G K^-)

	Λd
$\sigma(K^- \text{ppn}) \cdot \text{Br}$	5 μb
N(K^- on target)	100 G
N(target)	2.56×10^{23}
$\epsilon(\text{DAQ})$	0.92
$\epsilon(\text{trigger})$	0.98
$\epsilon(\text{beam})$	0.72
$\Omega(\text{CDC})$	0.23
$\epsilon(\text{CDC})$	0.6
N($K^- \text{ppn}$)	12 k

Proposed physics program

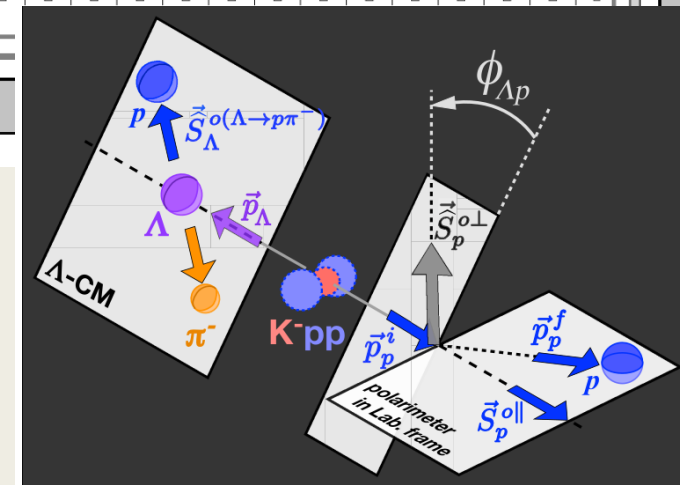
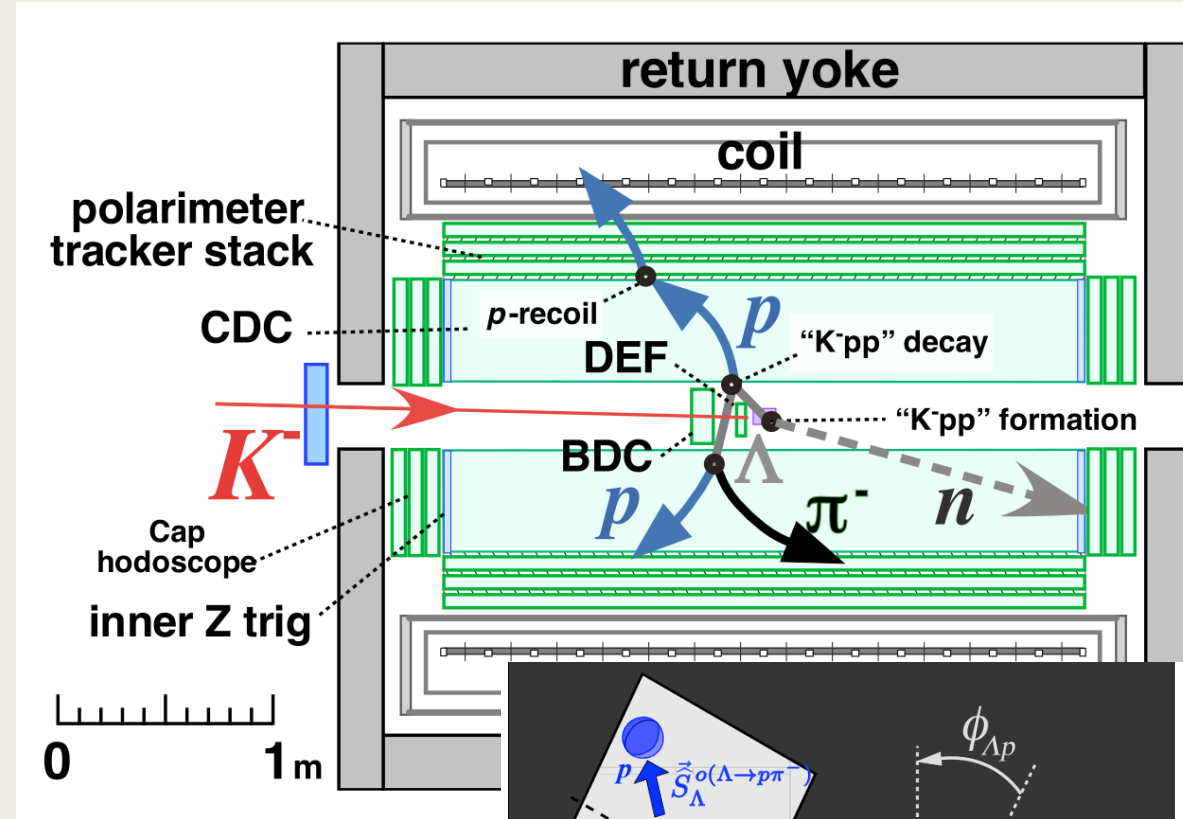
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- *J-PARC P89 experiment*
- *Measuring the spin-spin correlation between Λ and p from “ K^-pp ” $\rightarrow \Lambda p$ decay*

- $\alpha_{\Lambda p} = 1$ ($J^\pi = 0^-$), $\alpha_{\Lambda p} = 1/3$ ($J^\pi = 1^-$)
- Spin direction of Λ can be Estimated from $p\pi^-$ decay

- *To measure the spin direction of the proton, polarimeter tracker stack will be additionally equipped*

- Scintillating fiber?
- Straw tube?



Proposed physics program

- Investigation of the spin and parity of the $K\bar{K}NN$ state

- *Expected result for 8-week data taking*

- $\alpha_{\Lambda p}$ measurement

- 420 k “ $K\text{-}pp$ ” $\rightarrow \Lambda p$ events

- 250 times larger than E15

- When $J^P=0^-$ case, $J^P=1^-$ hypothesis Would be excluded more than 95% C. L.

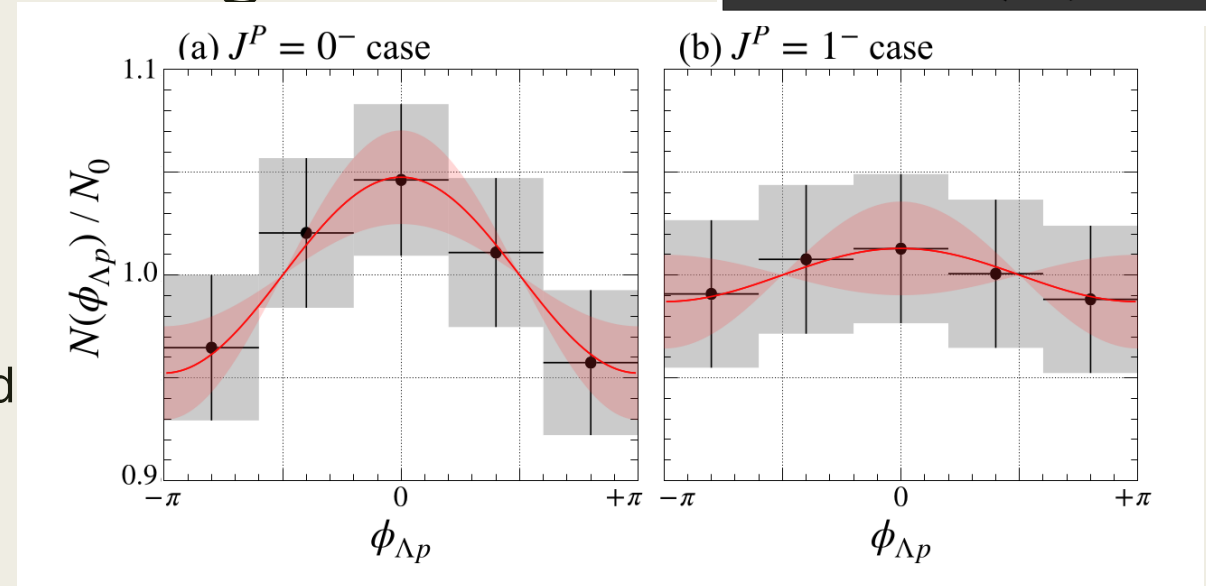
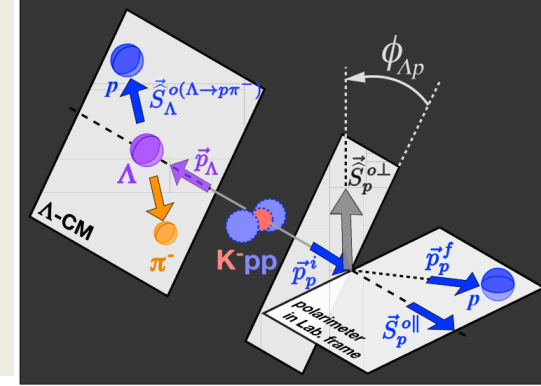
- “ $K^0\bar{K}nn$ ” measurement

- ${}^3\text{He}(K^-,p)$ reaction, Reconstruct from “ $K^0\bar{K}nn$ ” $\rightarrow \Lambda n$

- *Production cross section is expected to strongly depend on J^π due to spin-isospin selection rule.*

- $\sigma^*BR \sim 7\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$ (1^- case), $\sigma^*BR \sim 1.4\mu\text{b}/\text{sr}$ (0^- case)

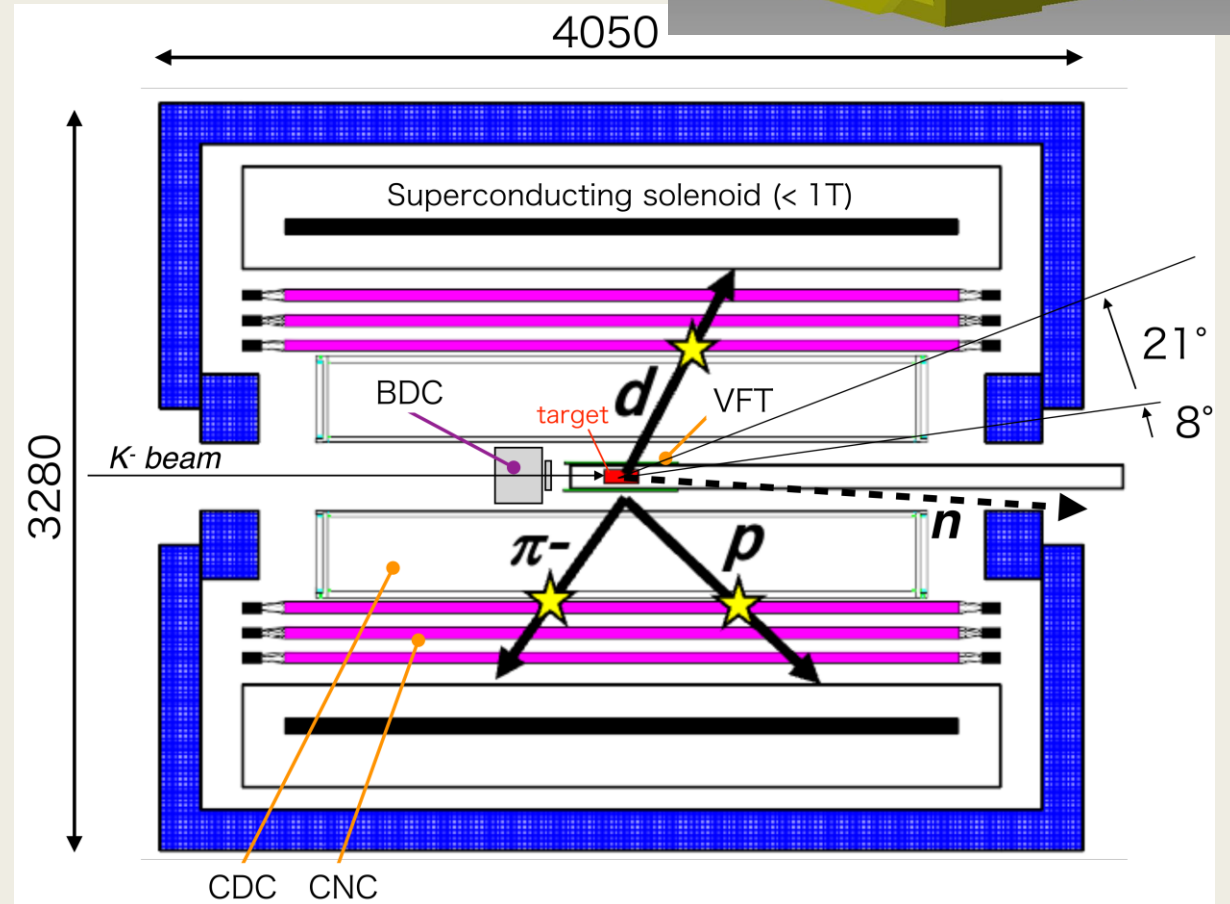
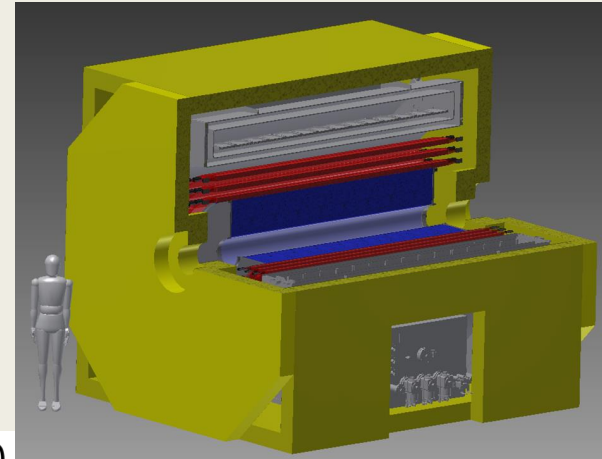
- These measurement would provide conclusive results of J^π !



Design and development status of Detectors composing the new CDS

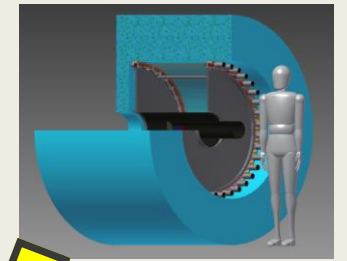
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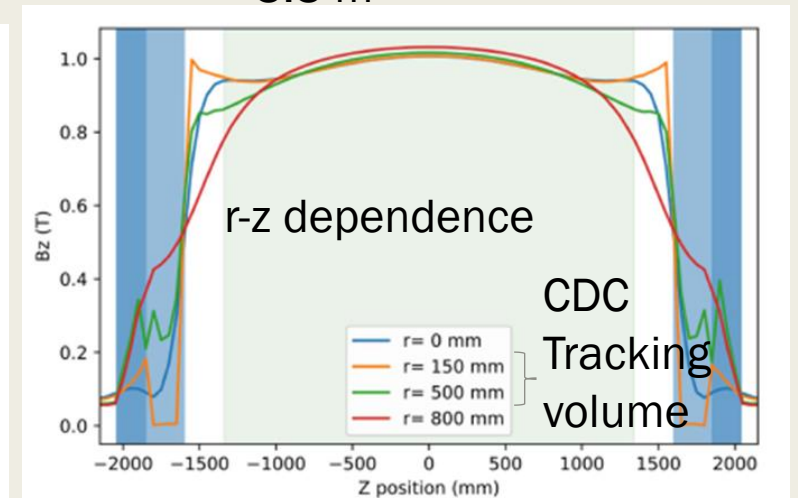
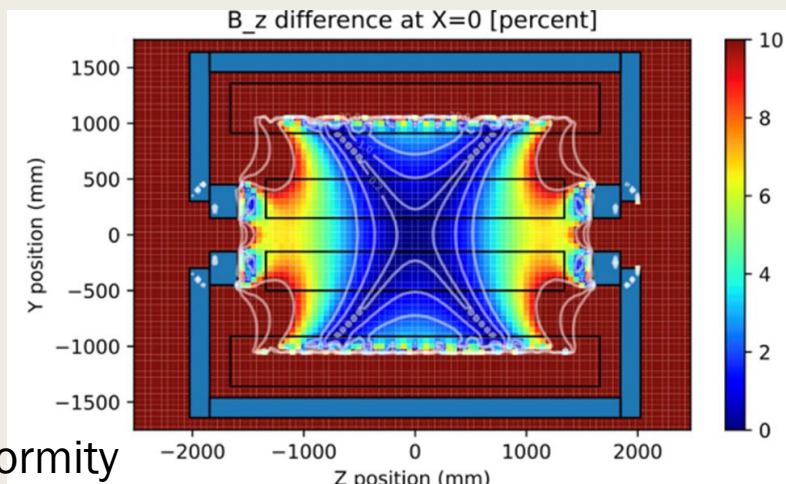
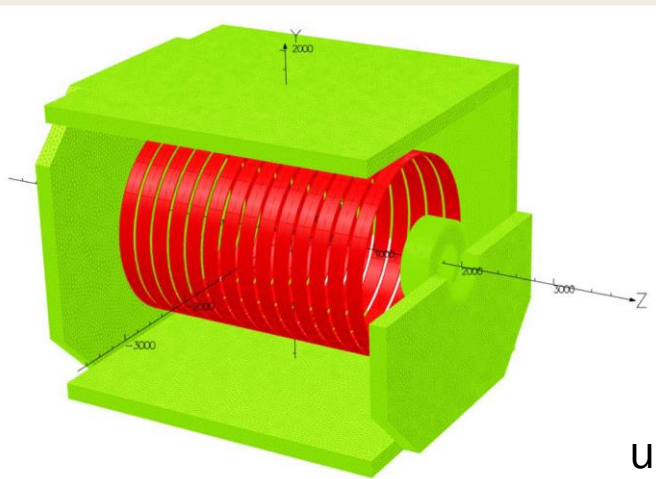
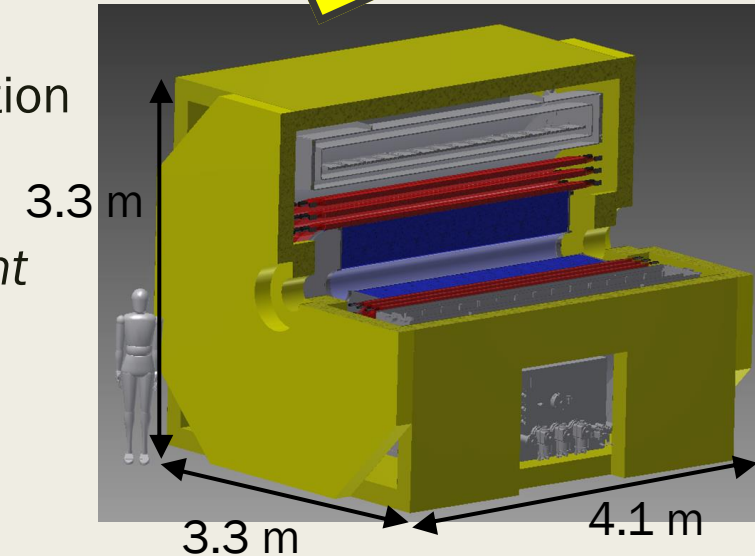


Superconducting solenoid magnet

- In order to provide a uniform magnetic field over larger tracking volume, superconducting solenoid magnet is needed.
 - $3.3\text{m} \times 3.3\text{m} \times 4.1\text{m}$
- Developing with the cooperation of the J-PARC Cryogenics Section
- Maximum field of 1.0 T @center , 189A – 10V
 - *Basic design is the copy of the solenoid in COMET experiment*
 - *For experiments for kaonic nuclei, we will set 0.7 T, same as existing spectrometer.*
- Magnetic field calculation with OPERA-3D (TOSCA)



10 times larger in volume!



Superconducting solenoid magnet

- Present status
 - *Superconducting coil*
 - NbTi/Cu wire
 - *Cooled with 3-stage GM Refrigerator*
 - 14 coils, 13230 turns in total
 - Winding will be started next month!



Superconducting solenoid magnet

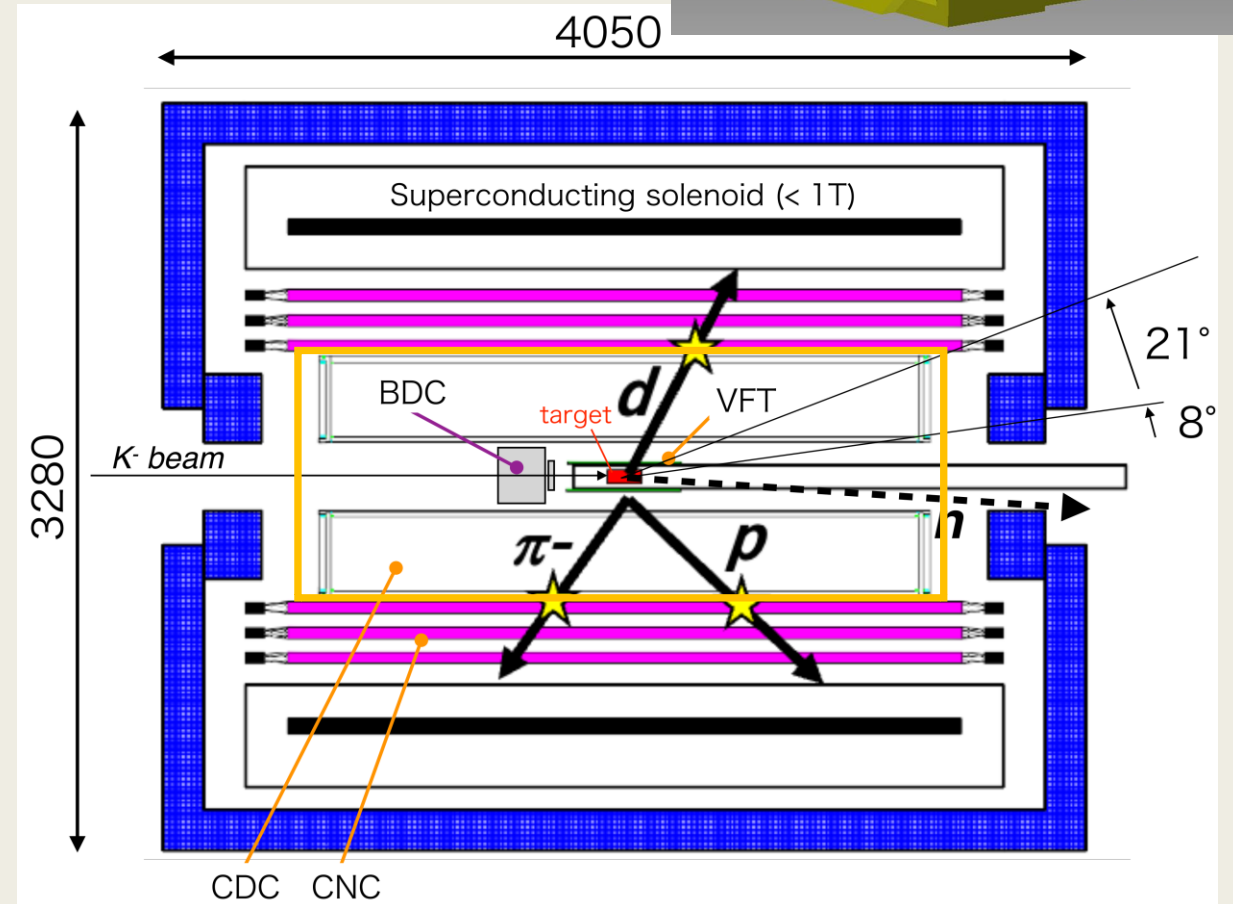
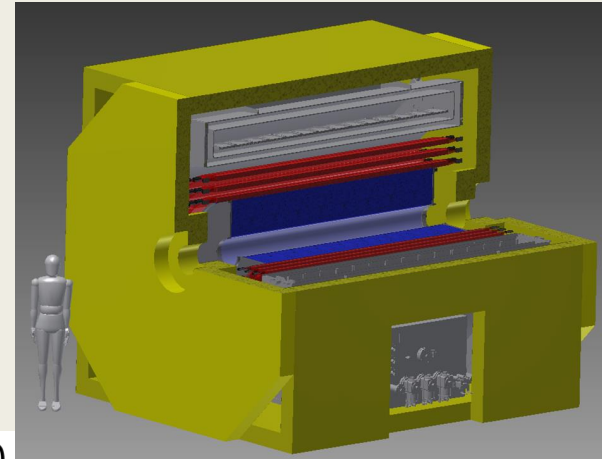
■ Present status

- *Return yoke*
 - Construction completed
 - ~ 115 t
- *Monitor system for quench protection*
 - Under preparation
- *Vacuum vessel*
 - Under consideration
 - *Bore dia. = $\Phi 1.8\text{m}$, Outer dia. = $\Phi 2.7\text{m}$*
 - *length = 3.3m, Weight = 5.9t*
 - *In design, installation mechanism for detectors is Coupled problem.*



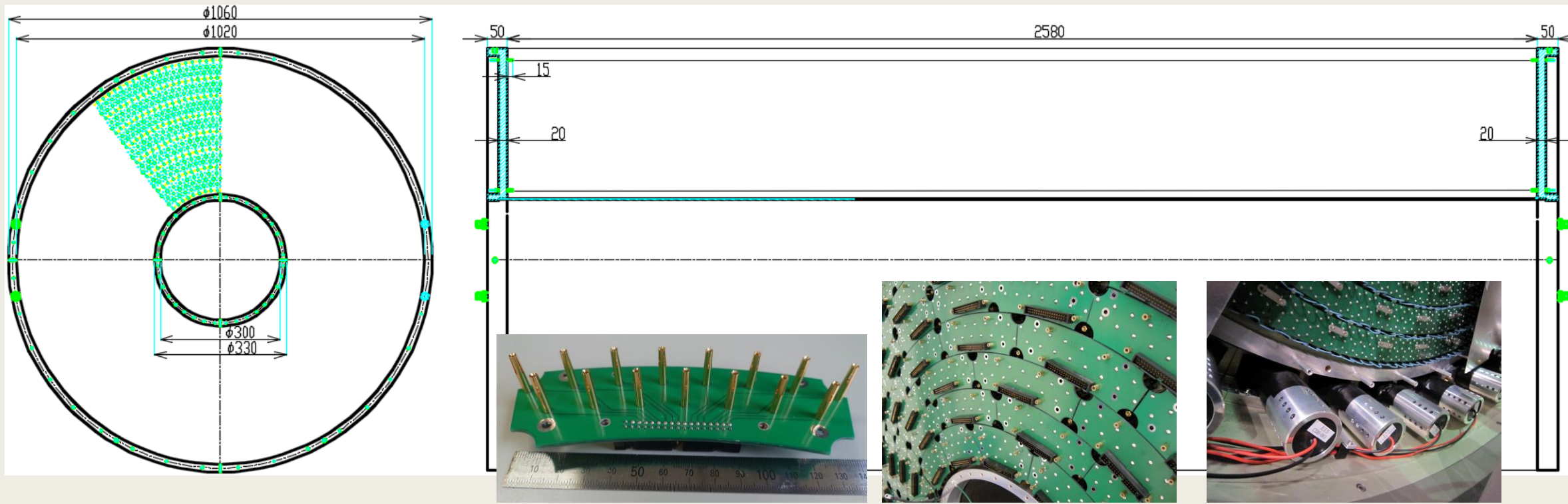
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Cylindrical drift chamber

- New CDC is 3 times longer than the existing CDC along beam axis
- For radial direction, the design of new CDC is similar to existing CDC.
 - *We can reuse the existing readout/HV-distributor boards*



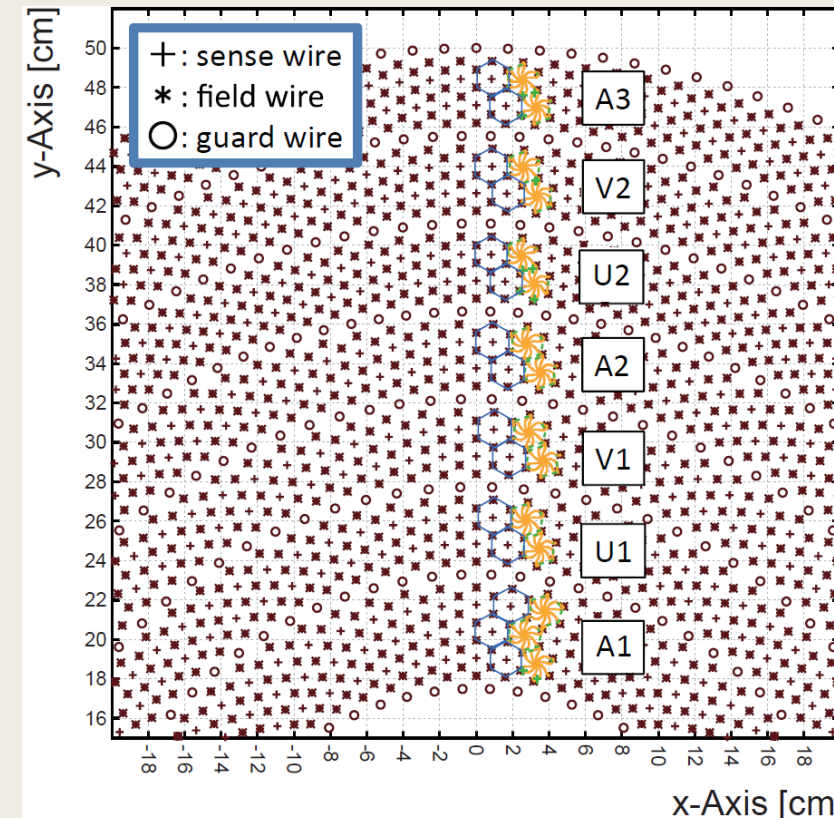
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■ Structure

- Wire configuration is similar to the existing CDC
 - 15 layers grouped into 7 super layers (AUVAUVA)
 - Wires in U,V layers are tilted by ± 2.3 -3.0 degrees
 - Slightly smaller tilt angle than existing CDC (~ 3.5 degrees)
 - 1,816 ch with hexagonal cells
 - 8,064 wires are supported by feedthroughs
- Resolutions will retain the existing CDC performance
 - 5.3 % for p_T and 0.5 % for β

■ Drift gas

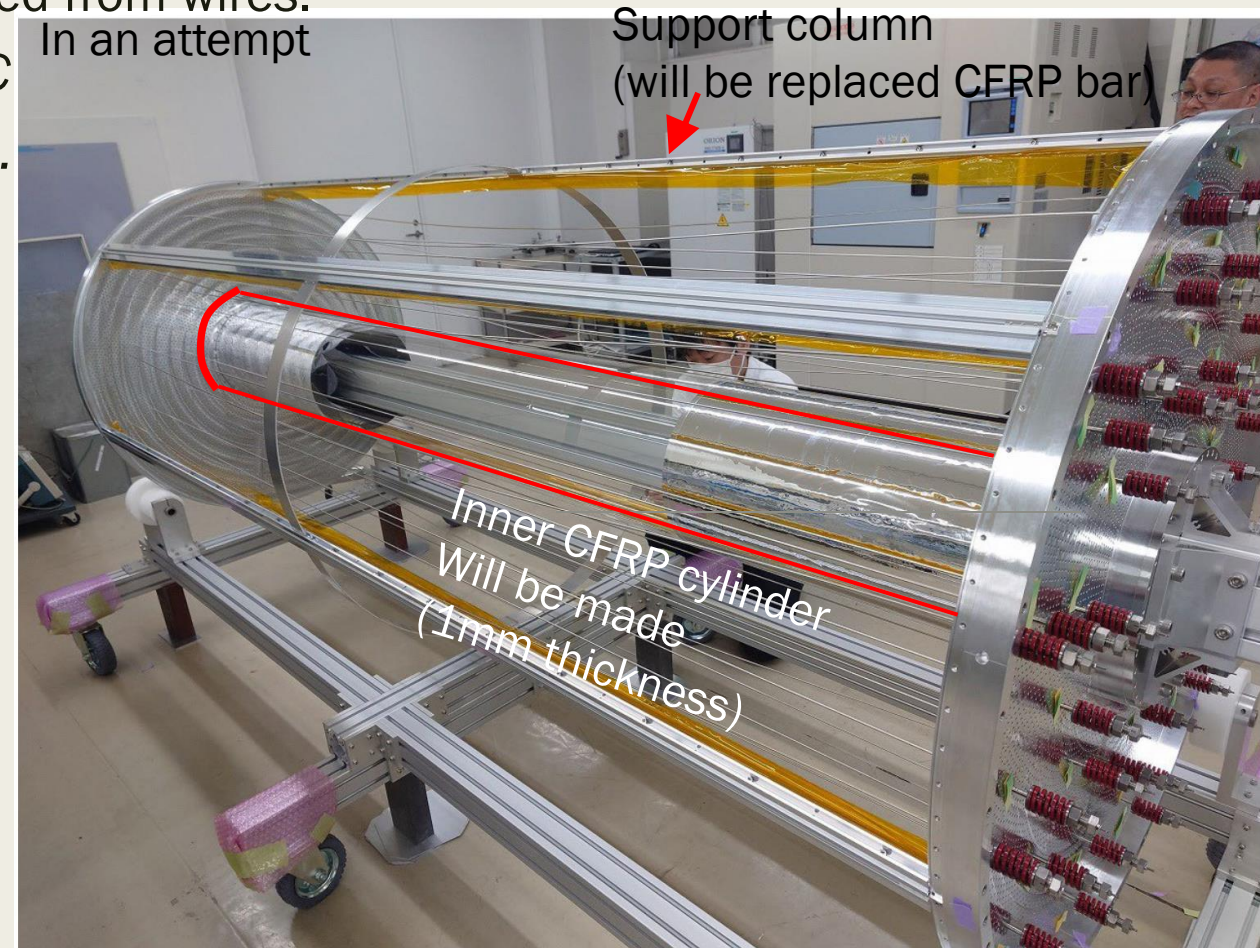
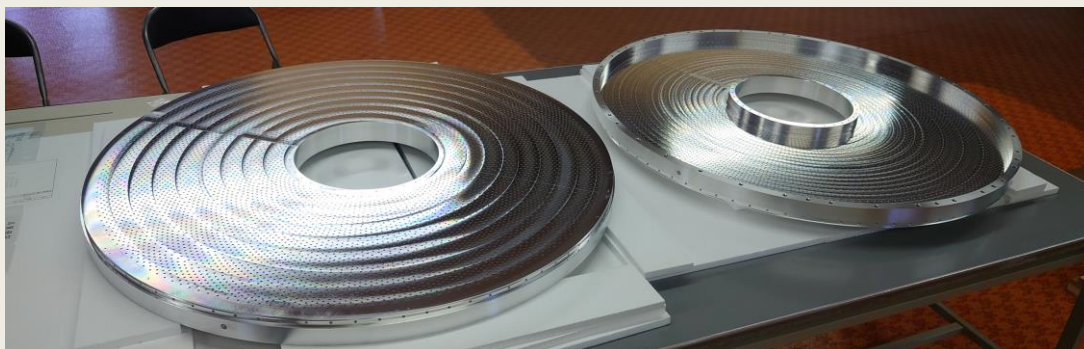
- Ar-Ethane (50:50)
 - Same as the existing CDC
- or Ar-CO₂(90:10)
 - Cheaper than Ar-Ethane, costs will be saved even for the large drift chamber



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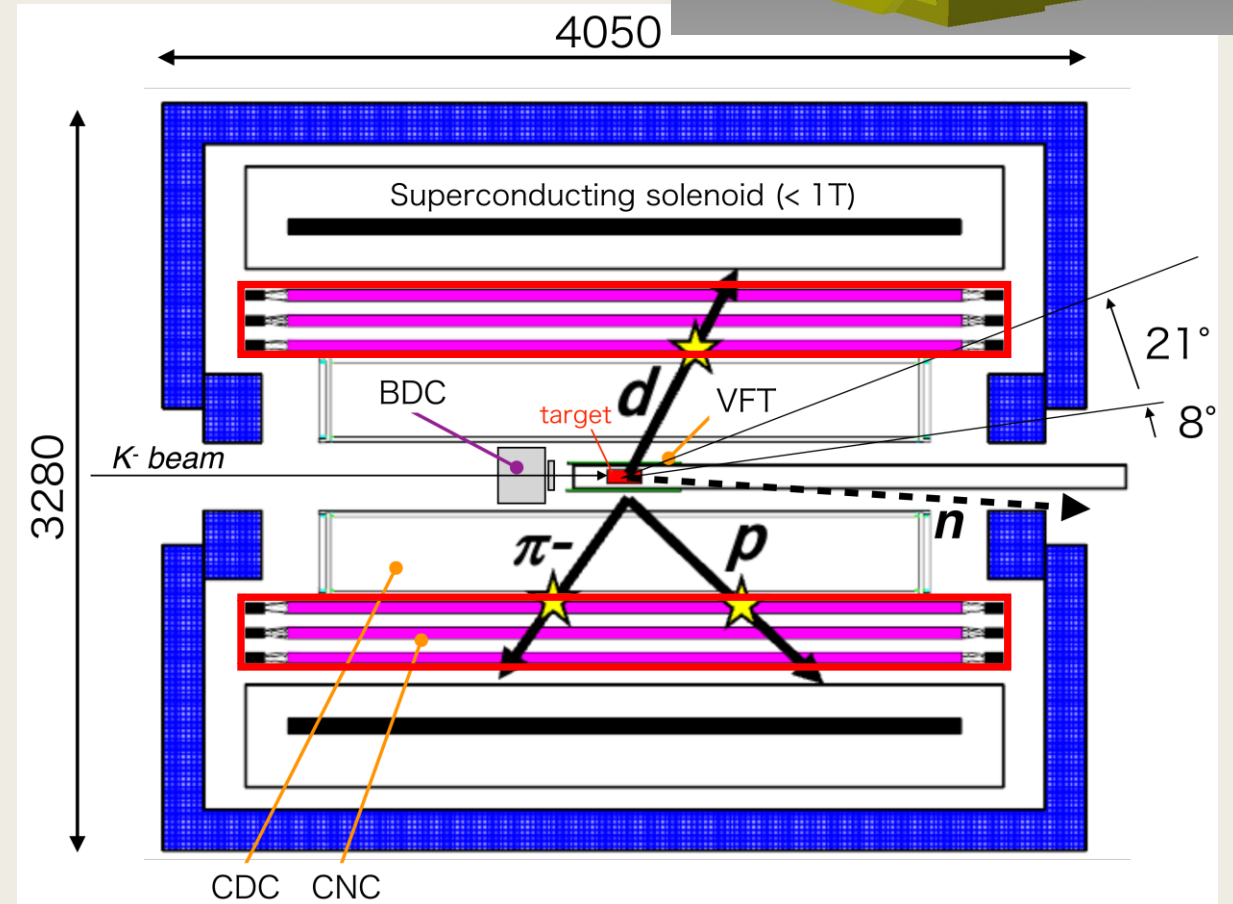
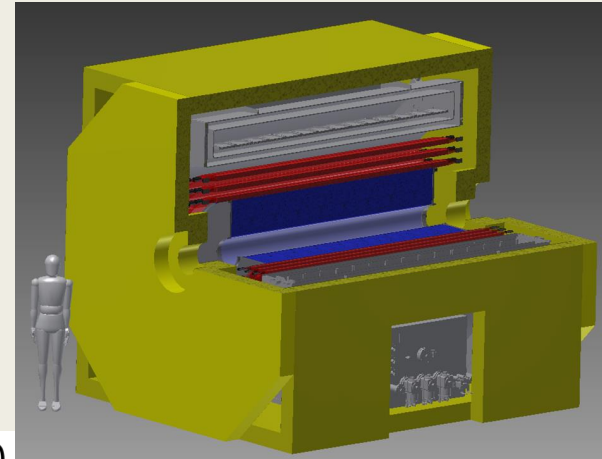
■ Present status

- *Production of Endcaps is completed.*
- *To make CDC body, we are considering the best balance of rigidity and mass thickness.*
 - In total, 1.6 t tension would be applied from wires.
 - *3 times larger than existing CDC*
 - *Buckling calculation is difficult...*
 - Connecting endcaps with “inner CFRP cylinder” and CFRP support columns
 - Wire implementation will be started
The beginning of the next year!



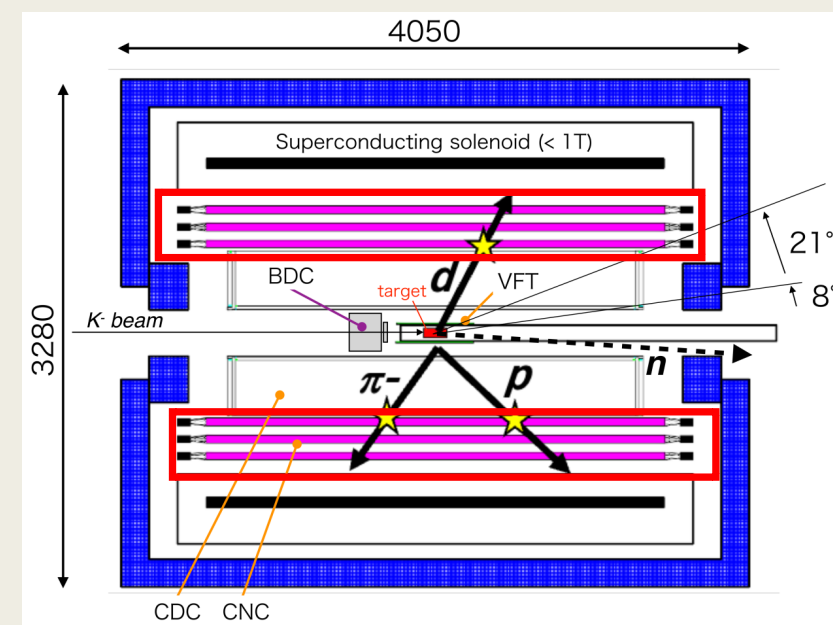
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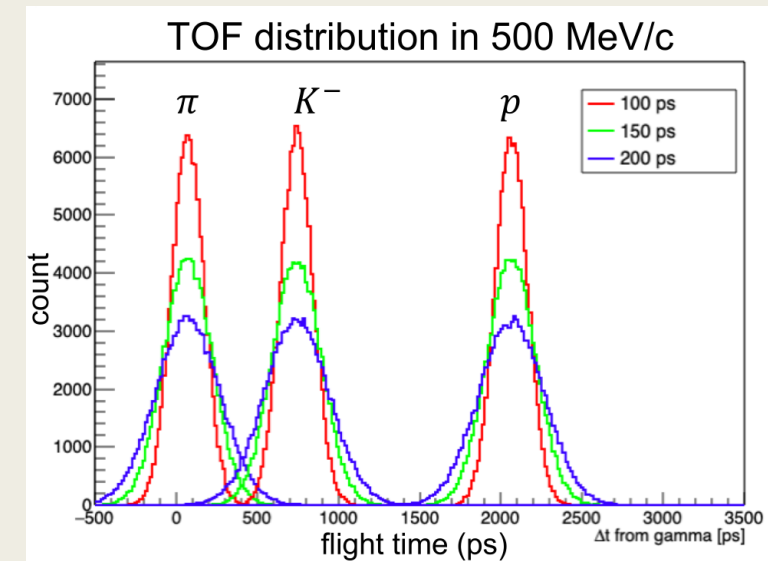


Cylindrical Neutron Counter

- scintillator array: 32 segments for one layer
 - 3 layer (full setup), One layer (1st phase)
 - (T)50mm, (W)~130mm, (L)~3,000mm Long!
 - Important to realize large solid angle
 - neutron detection efficiency ~1% per 10mm thickness
 - Existing CDS:30 mm
 - 1.5-inch FM-PMT [H8409(R7761)]
 - Worked well in the existing CDS environment (0.7T magnetic field along PMT)



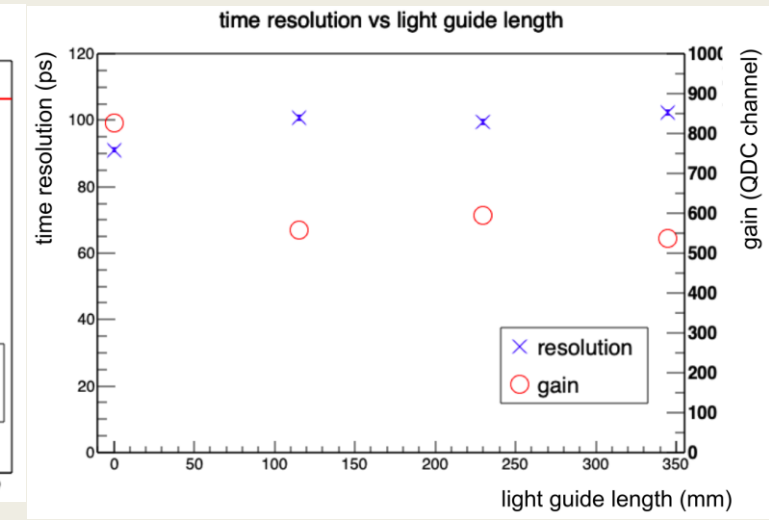
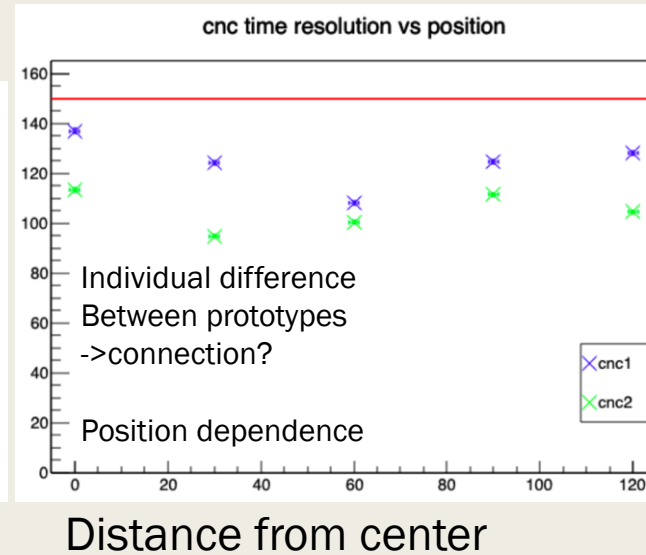
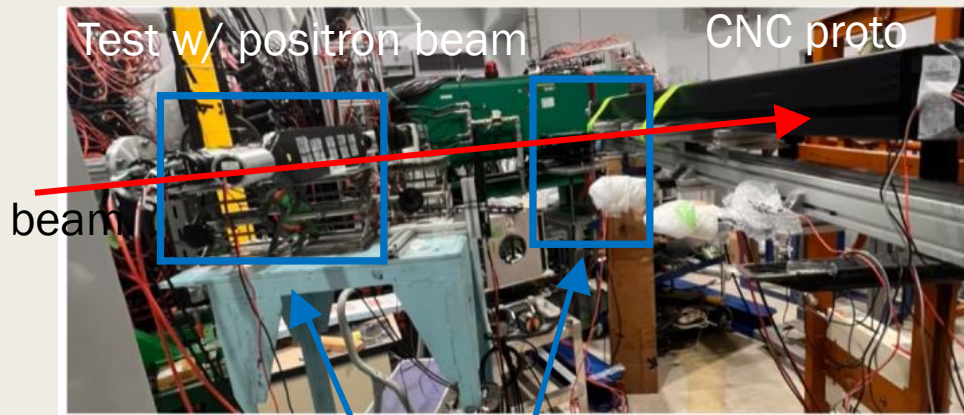
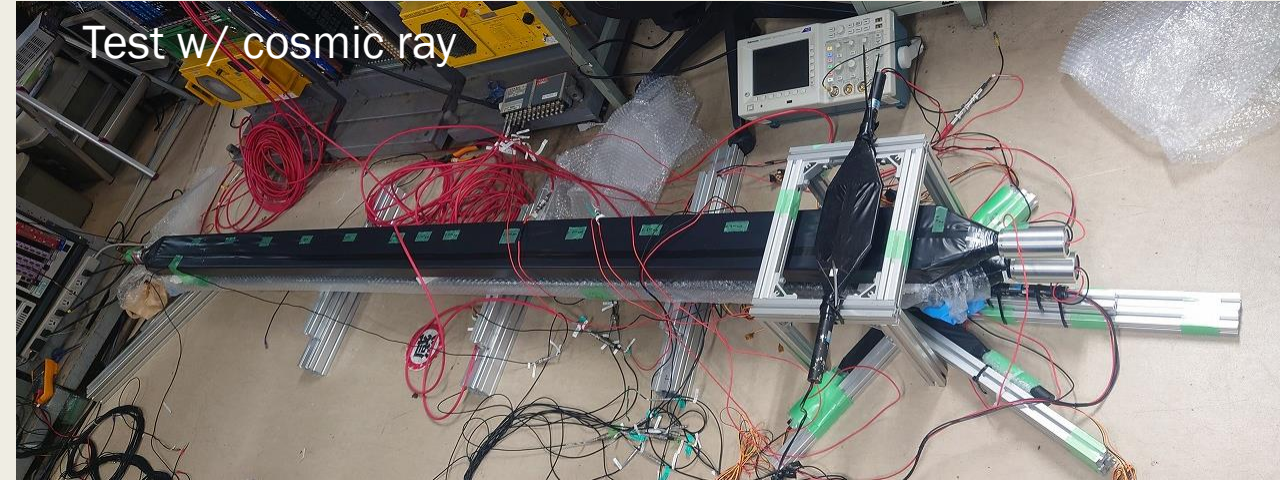
- Required timing resolutions
 - For identification of charged particles (π , K , p , ...)
 - →150 ps (flight length ~50cm)
 - For detection of neutron with good position resolution
 - →100 ps ($\delta z \sim 2\text{cm}$)



Cylindrical Neutron Counter

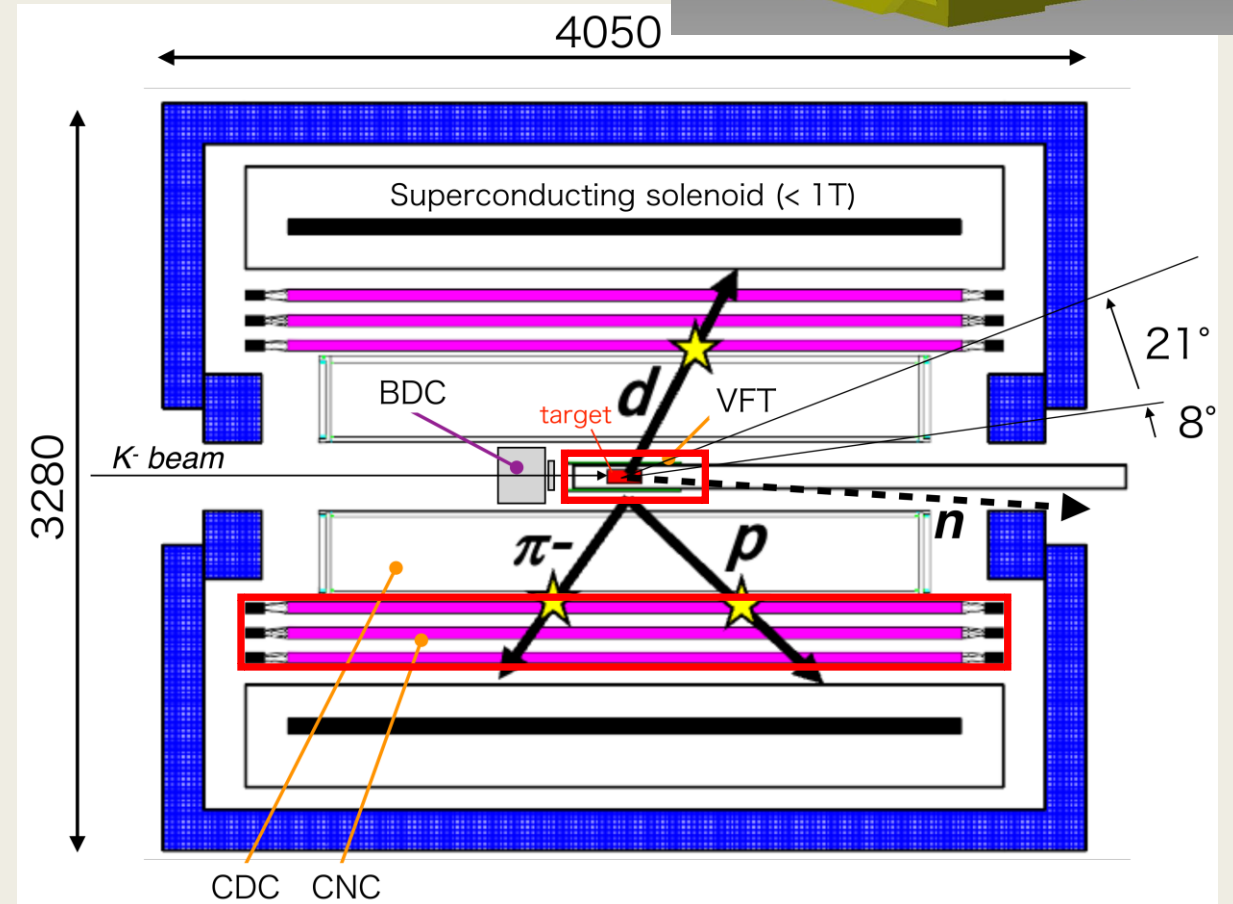
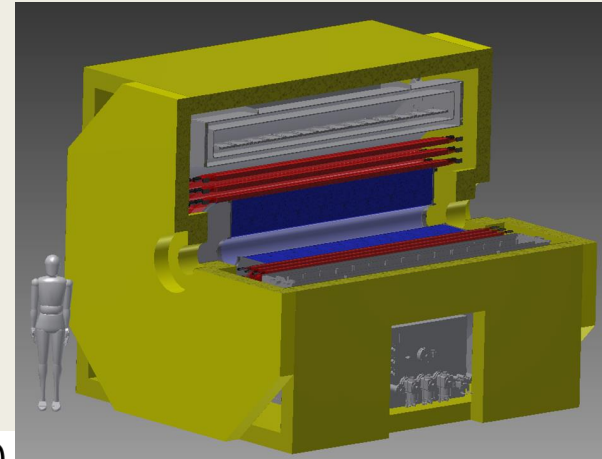
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- *Prototype tests are ongoing...*
- *150 ps resolution is achieved*
- *To achieve 100ps resolution, more studies are needed.*
 - Position dependence? w/ or w/o light guide?



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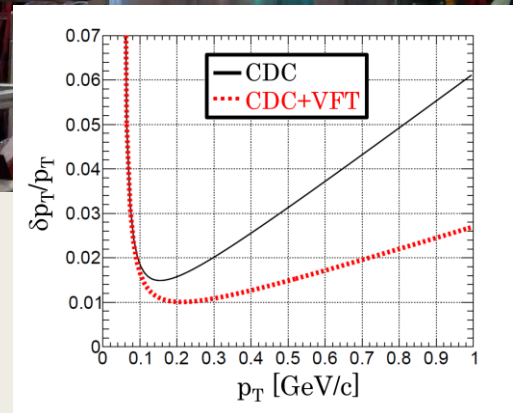
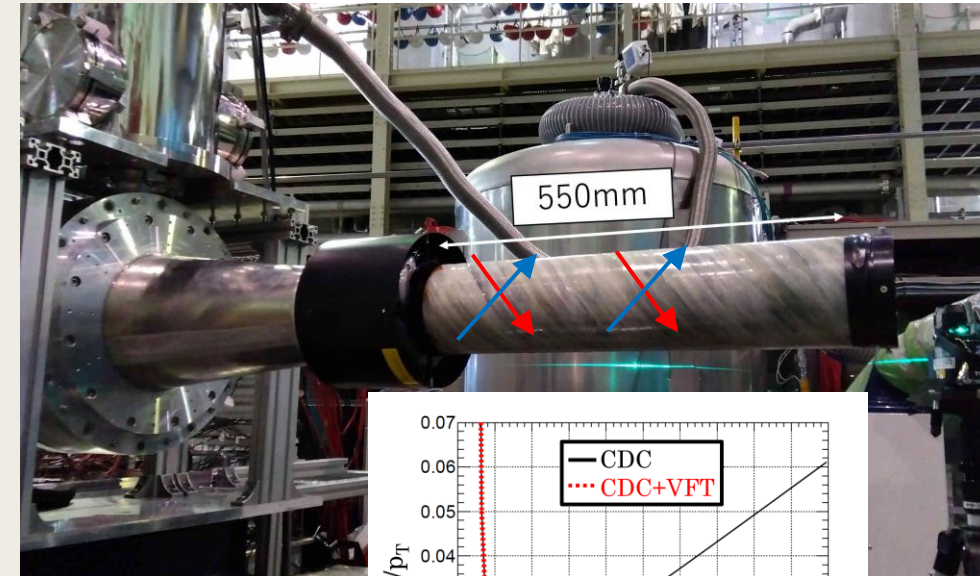
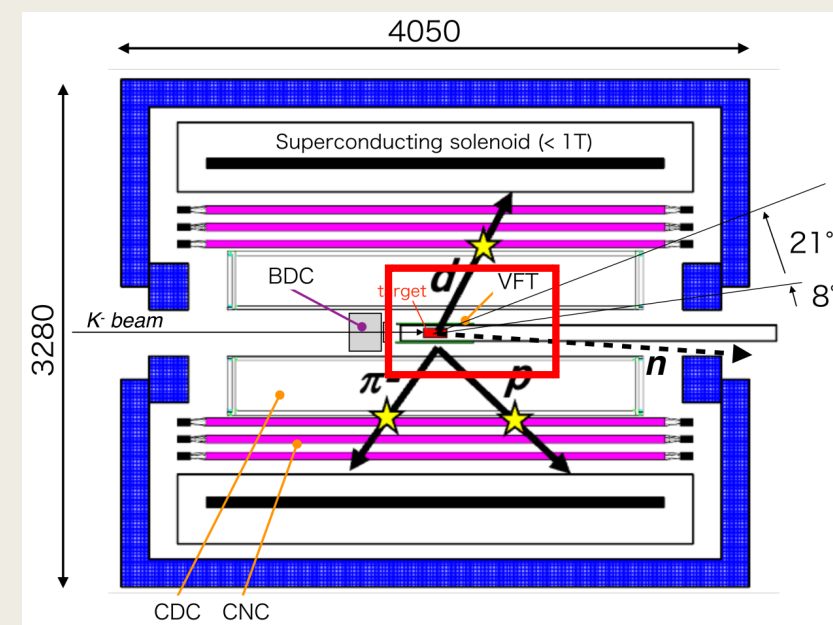
Vertex Fiber Tracker

- Detector just around the target ($r \sim 55$ mm)
 - 4 layers of $\Phi 1$ mm scintillating fibers - UU'VV'
 - Each layer tilted by $\sim \pm 50$ degrees
 - 896 (= 224x4) channels
 - Readout: MPPC + "CIRASAME" module
 - Multihit TDC for Leading and Trailing edge

- Spectrometer performance will be improved

- Vertex resolution of the beam direction
 ~ 1 cm (CDC only) $\rightarrow \sim 1$ mm (CDC+VTF)
- Solid angle covering the target region
 97% of 4π (15° - 165°)
- Momentum/mass resolution
 $L = \sim 30$ cm (CDC only) $\rightarrow \sim 43$ cm (CDC+VTF)

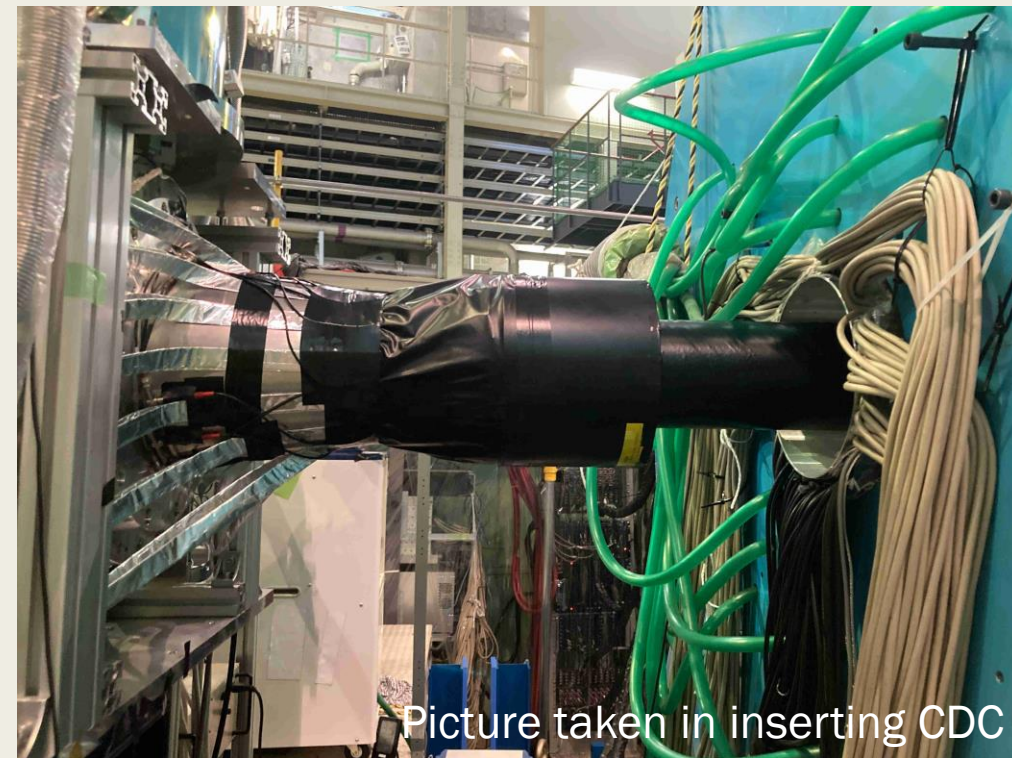
Efficient for Background reduction



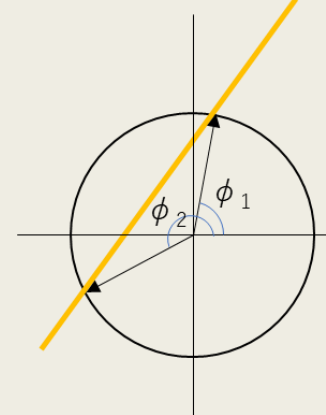
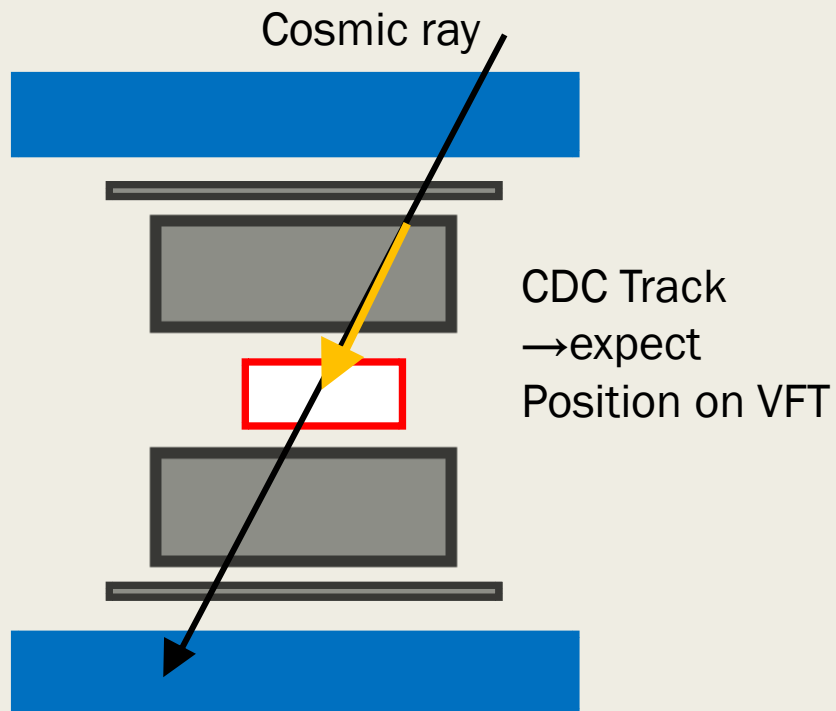
$$\left(\frac{\delta P_T}{P_T} \right)_m = \frac{P_T \sigma_{r\phi}}{0.3 L^2 B} \sqrt{A_N}$$

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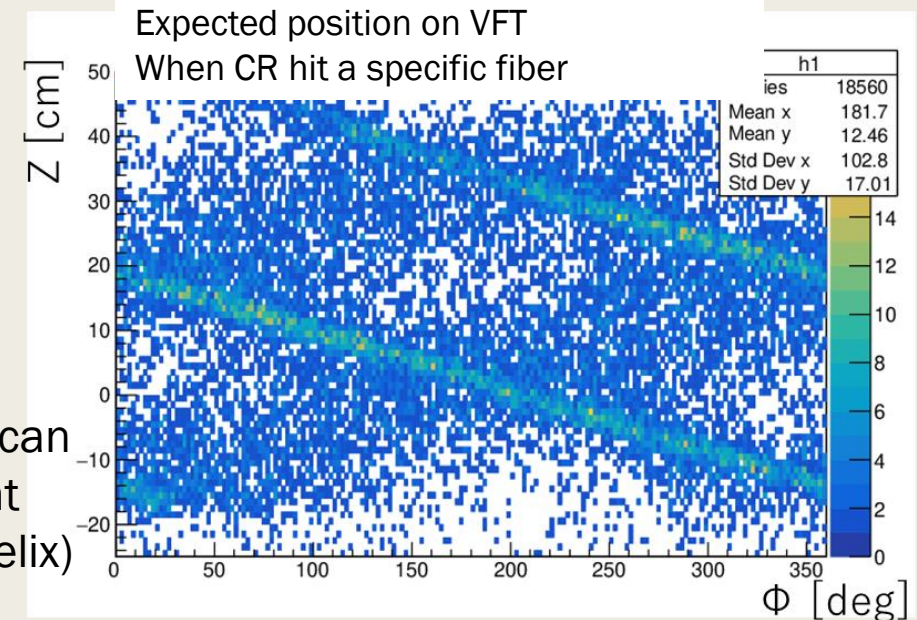
- Present status
 - *Inserting VFT to existing CDC, test data was taken*
 - w/cosmic ray and π , (K^-) beam
 - Analysis and performance evaluation is ongoing...



Picture taken in inserting CDC

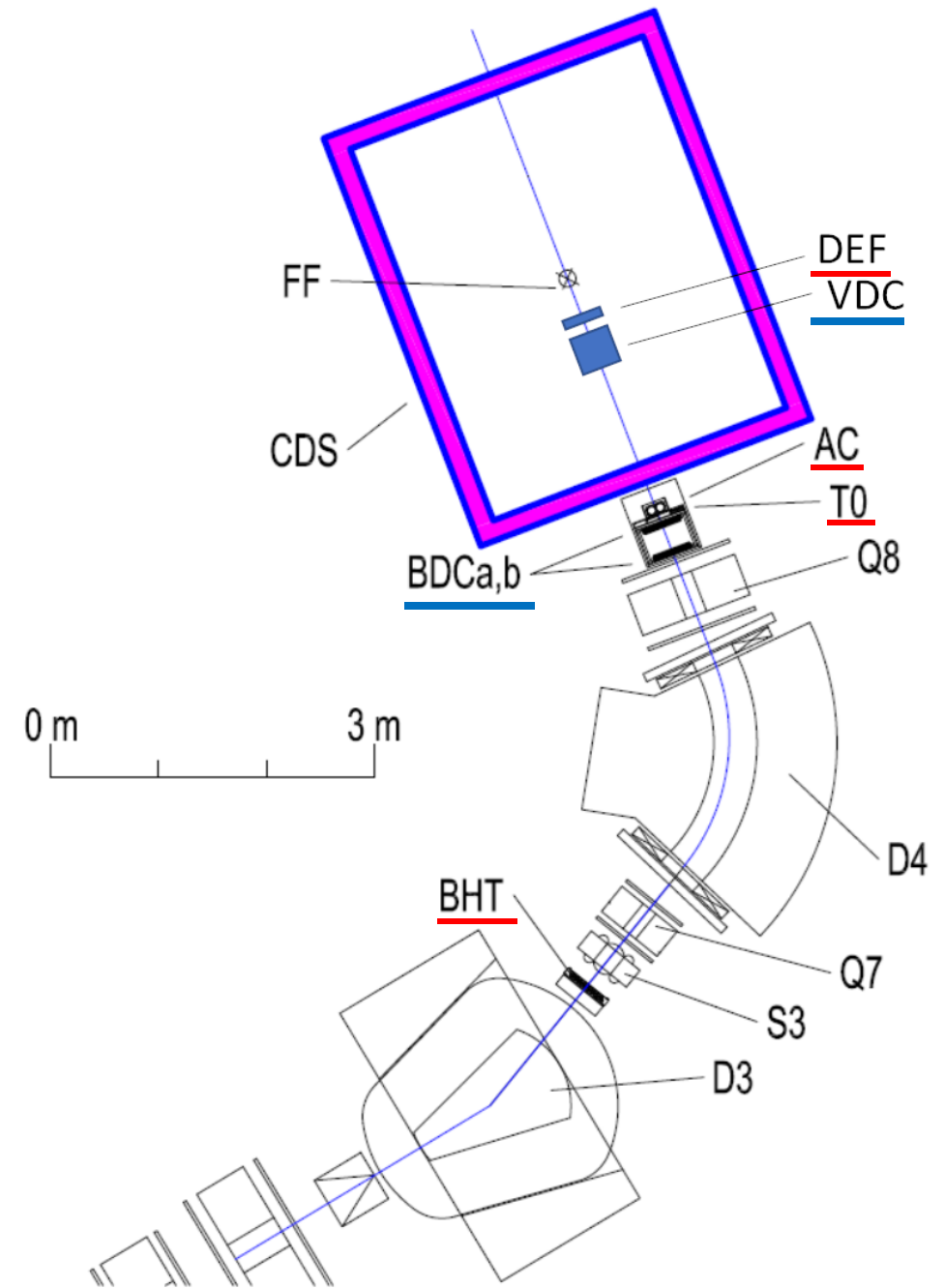


Geometry of a fiber can be seen as a straight line in Z- Φ plane! (helix)



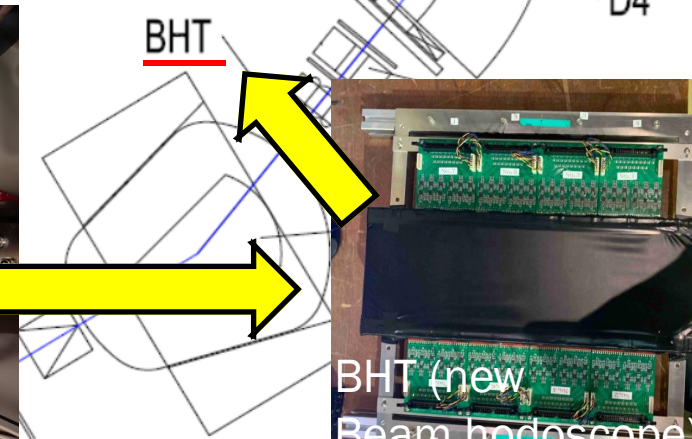
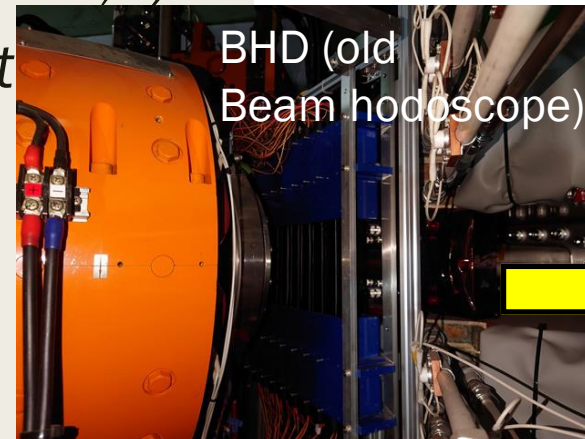
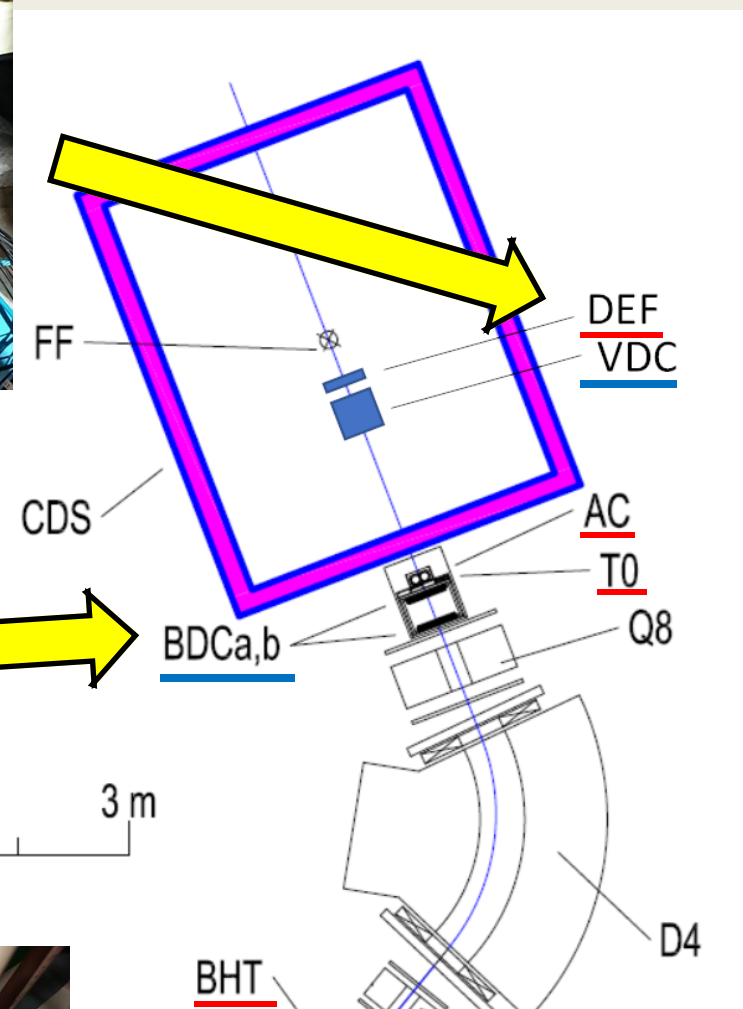
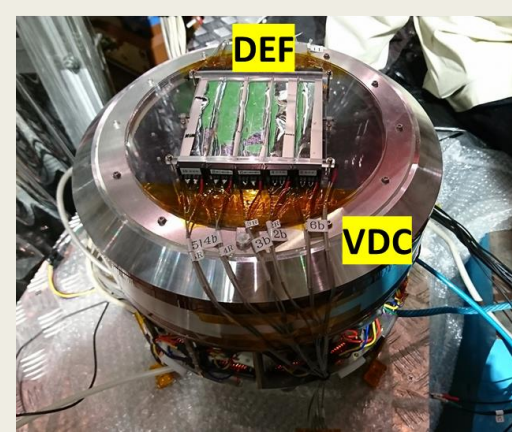
Beamline Detectors

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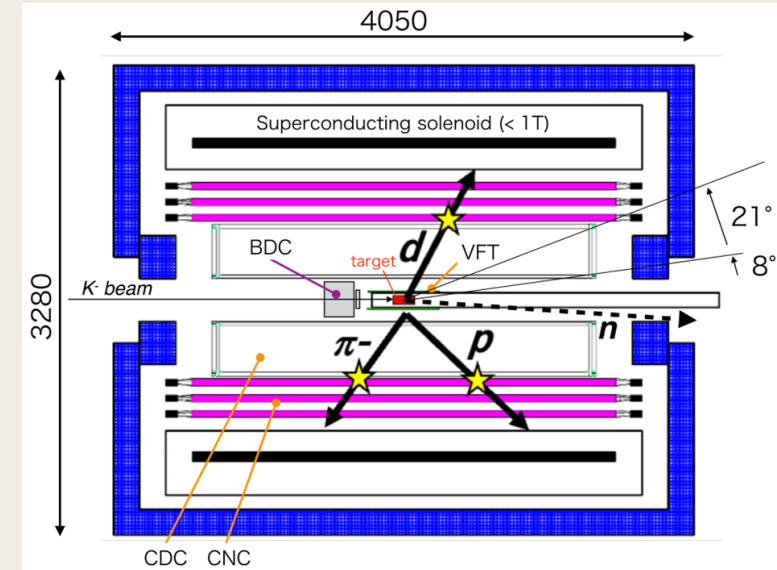
Construction schedule

- Installation and Beam line upgrade will start the end of FY2024- or beginning of FY2025.
- Commissioning run for new spectrometer will be performed the end of FY2025.
 - LH_2 target, for about 1 week beamtime
- physics run with new spectrometer will be started FY2026
 - **1st step: J-PARC E80 experiment**
 - *Search for $K\bar{n}NN$ via ${}^4\text{He}(1\text{ GeV}/c\text{ K}^-,n)$ reaction*

	FY2022				FY2023				FY2024				FY2025				FY2026-	
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
SC Sorenoid	Design		Purchase (Yoke, SC wire)		Construction				Installation & test		Integration	Commissioning	Physics run	Analysis & publication				
NC	Design & prototype test				purchase & assemble		test & commissioning											
CDC	Design				Construction		test & commissioning											
VFT	Design & production		test & performance evaluation															
K1.8BR beam line	E73 (lifetime measurement of hypertriton) experiment						E72 (Λ^* resonance search with HypTPC)		upgrade		1st experiment with new CDS: J-PARC E80 experiment							

Summary

- J-PARC E15 experiment @ K1.8 BR beamline successfully founded the existence of “K-pp” states using the in-flight $K^- + {}^3\text{He}$ reaction with an exclusive analysis of the Λpn final state.
- Further investigations for kaonic nuclei are needed to establish the kaonic nuclei
 - *Mass number dependence?*
 - *Spin and parity of the “K-pp”?*
- We are developing a new magnetic spectrometer
 - *Large solid angle (93 % of 4π)*
 - *thicker plastic scintillator ($\times 5$ neutron detection efficiency)*
 - *Momentum/position resolutions will retain or will be improved*
- Construction will be finished in FY2025 and Physics run with new spectrometer will be started FY2026
- If you are interested in or/and have ideas for the experiments with the spectrometer, we are welcome!



backup

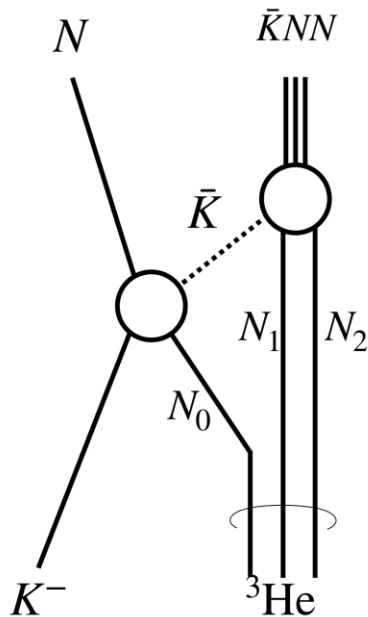
K⁰nn cross section and spin-isospin selection

Yamaga-san's slide
In J-PARC PAC (2021)

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Sensitivity for $\bar{K}^0 nn$ search

– Expected formalism of production cross section of $\bar{K}NN$ –



$$\sigma_{I_{\bar{K}NN}}^{JP} = R_{\bar{K}NN} \times \sum_{\bar{K}N} \left(\sigma_{\bar{K}N} \times C_{I_{NN}}^2 \times C_{I_{\bar{K}NN}}^2 \times \mathcal{A}_N \right)$$

Formation probability
– Common –

Effective nucleon number

neutron	1
proton	$2^{2/3} \sim 2$

Elementary CSs @ $\theta_N = 0^\circ$

$I_{\bar{K}NN}^{(z)} = +1/2$	$\sigma_{K^-n} = 4.7$ (mb/sr) or $\sigma_{\bar{K}^0n} = 2.4$ (mb/sr)
$I_{\bar{K}NN}^{(z)} = -1/2$	$\sigma_{K^-p} = 1.8$ (mb/sr)

Isospin coupling of $I_{N_1} \otimes I_{N_2}$

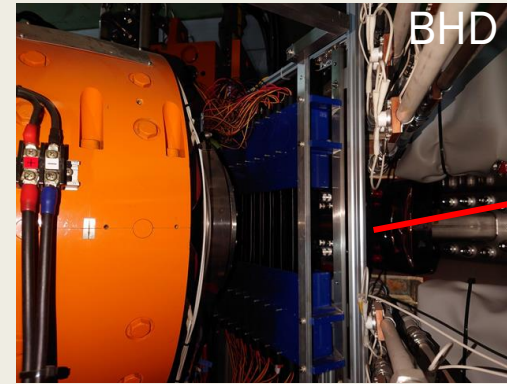
	$J^P = 0^-$	$J^P = 1^-$
$I_{\bar{K}NN}^{(z)} = +1/2$	1/2 or 1	1/2 or 0
$I_{\bar{K}NN}^{(z)} = -1/2$	1/2	1/2

Isospin coupling of $I_{\bar{K}} \otimes I_{NN}$

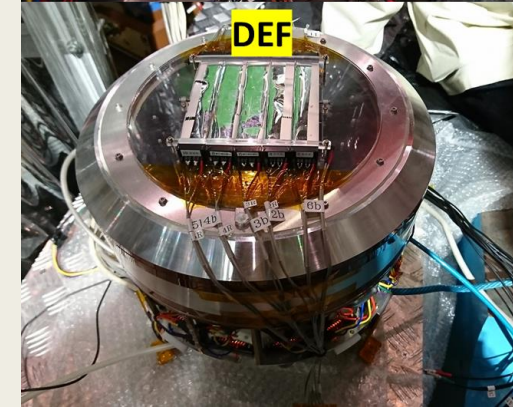
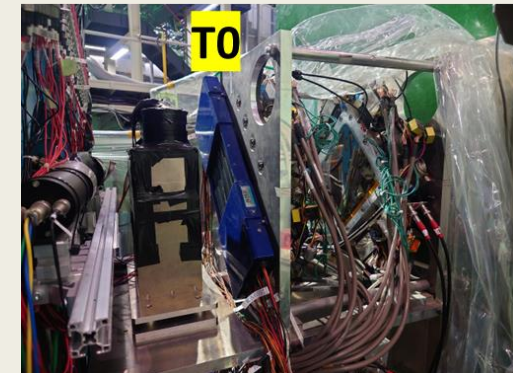
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Trigger counters

- BHD->BHT (Beam Hodoscope Detector/Tracker)
 - *Most upstream scintillator hodoscope*
 - 4m before T0: $\Delta t_{\text{BHT-T0}}(\text{K- and } \pi-) = 2.5 \text{ ns}$
 - *Effective size 300 x 150 mm*
 - *We are developing new one*
 - Old one is damaged by radiation for long years
 - Fine segmented (20-mm width-> 7.5-mm width, staggered)
- T0 counter (already existing)
 - *Define time zero, between beam line spectrometer and CDS*
 - *Effective size 160 x 160 mm, 5 segments*
- DEF (Beam Definition Counter, already existing)
 - *Locate just upstream of target to select beams that hits the target*
 - *Effective size 100 x 100 mm, 5 segments*

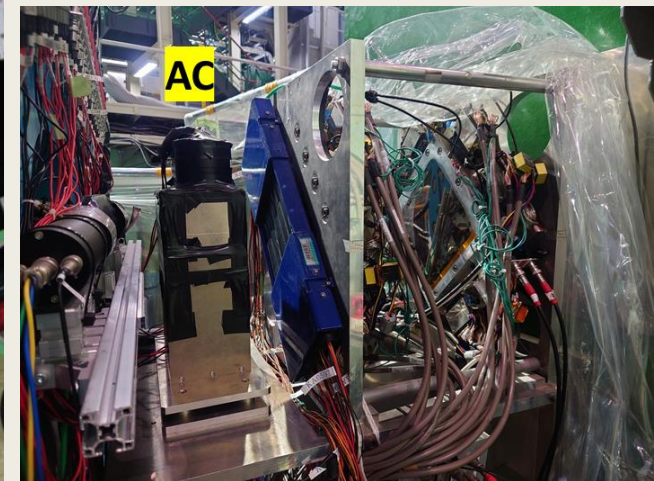
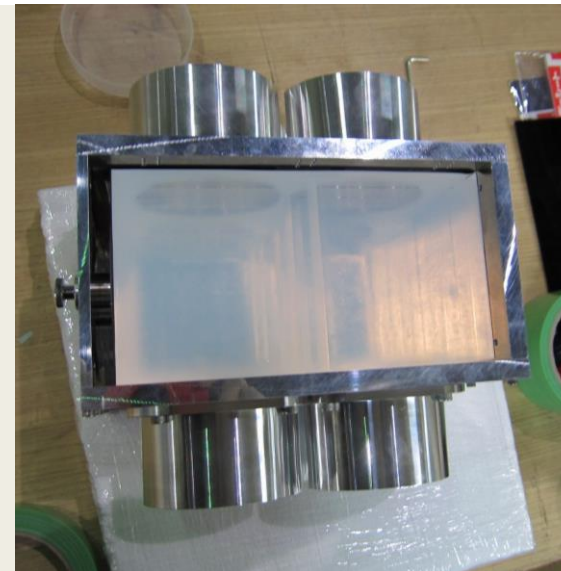
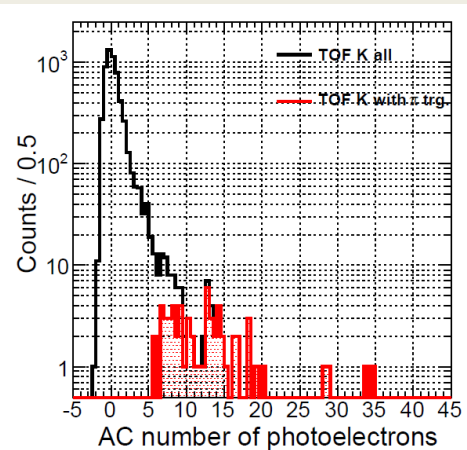
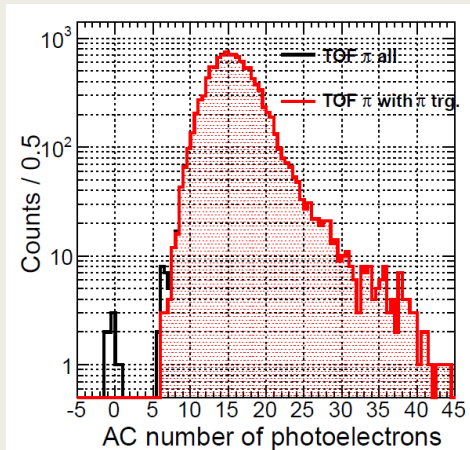
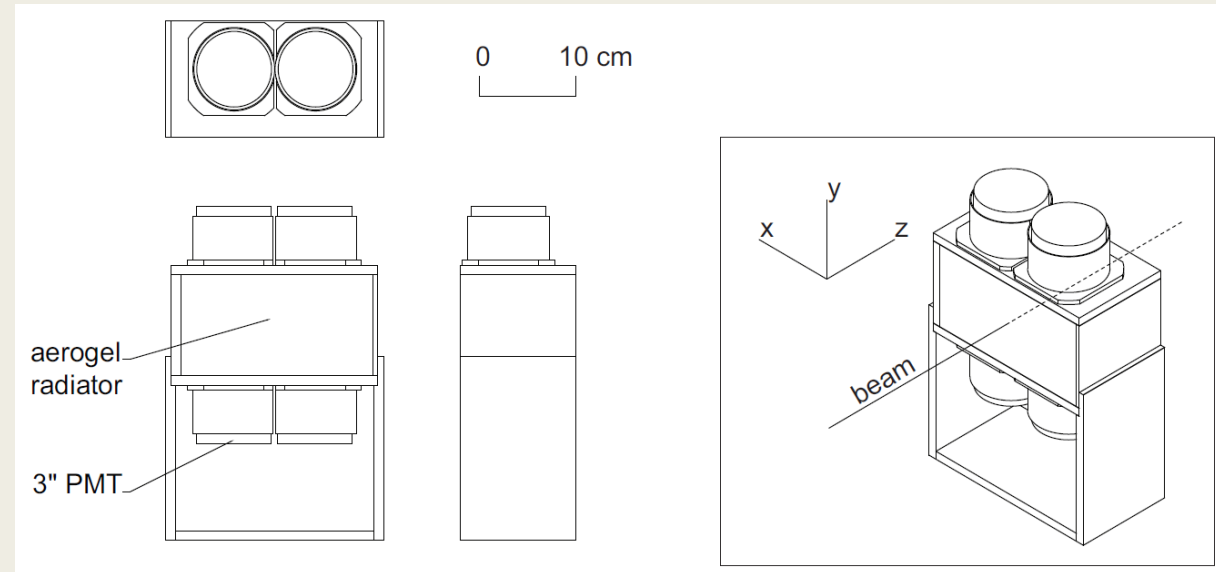


Proto-type test is ongoing...



Aerogel Cherenkov counter

- Already existing
- Index: 1.05
- downstream of T0
- size: 180 x 100 x 100 mm
- Average # of photons for pions: ~ 15
 - pion efficiency $> 99\%$
 - misidentification ratio of K as $\pi \sim 1\%$



Beam Line Chambers

- BDC (Beam Line Chamber)
 - *between beam line spectrometer and T0*
 - *160 x 160 mm effective area*
 - 32 sense wires, 2.5 mm drift length
 - Typical resolution: $\sim 150 \mu\text{m}$
 - *8 layers (UU'VV'UU'VV') x2*

- VDC (Beam vertex chamber)
 - *Upstream of DEF (near target)*
 - 32 sense wires, 3.0 mm drift length
 - Typical resolution: $\sim 150 \mu\text{m}$
 - *$\phi 197$ mm effective area*
 - *8 layers (XX'YY'XX'YY')*

